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The Duke Of Windsor Plans To Visit London

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

★ I UNDERSTAND THAT THE DUKE OF WINDSOR MAY PAY A BRIEF VISIT TO ENGLAND. SHOULD HIS PLANS MATURE, HE WILL COME ALONE, PROBABLY IN A PRIVATE PLANE, EITHER TO CROYDON OR TO HESTON.

The proposed visit is in connection with the dedication service to the late King George V., which will be held in St. George's Chapel, Windsor.

All members of the Royal Family will be present to witness the transfer of the coffin to the tomb now being prepared in the nave of the Chapel—all, that is, if the Duke of Windsor does carry out his intentions.

Should he fly over from Paris, it will be the Duke's first visit to England since his abdication nearly two and a half years ago. He is not expected to remain in this country more than two days.

The proposed trip will be kept as quiet as possible. The Duke, I am informed, will make no public appearances; nor is he likely to visit Buckingham Palace.

Czechs Wait Hitler Move

NEW PREMIER FOR SLOVAKS

PRESIDENT HACHA, OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, LATE LAST NIGHT APPOINTED M. KAREL SIDAR DEPUTY-PREMIER IN THE CZECHOSLOVAK CENTRAL GOVERNMENT, AS NEW PREMIER OF SLOVAKIA.

And Czech politicians and diplomats were waiting on tenterhooks to see what reply the appointment would bring across the border from Hitler.

The announcement of the new Premier's name came at the end of a day of feverish negotiations.

TERMS BY AIR

They began when M. Sokol, Speaker of the Slovak Parliament, arrived in Prague by air at the head of a Slovak delegation.

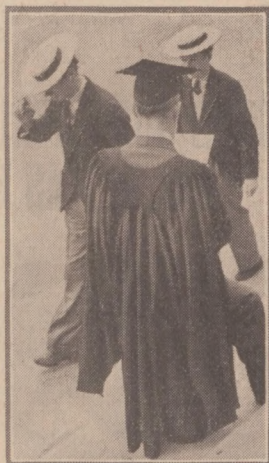
He had come with the Slovak leaders' terms for giving up the separatist movement, to stop whose outbreak Czech troops had occupied the Slovak capital of Bratislava and arrested the Cabinet.

It was understood that the Slovaks would not now insist on having their own army and diplomatic service—which would have meant virtual separation from the Czechs—but that they demanded that the deposed Father Tiso be restored to the Premiership.

Germany's Press and radio made it clear that the Nazis, who had been behind the separatist movement right through, regarded Father Tiso as the only rightful Premier.

M. Sidar's appointment to the Premiership, therefore, had an electric effect in Prague.

The man-in-the-street asked anxiously how Hitler would react to this brusque brushing aside of his wishes.



Celebrating Founder's Day at Harrow School, yesterday.

Police Foiled In Slain Spy Riddle

Perpignan, Saturday.

DESPITE EXTENSIVE INQUIRIES, FRENCH POLICE HAVE FAILED TO FIND ANY CLUE TO THE MURDERERS OF A SO-CALLED SPY WHO WAS BURIED ALIVE IN THE CONCENTRATION CAMP FOR SPANISH REFUGEES AT ARGUELES, NEAR HERE.

The story of the "execution" was told to the police to-day by thirty inmates of the camp.

These witnesses declare that the man who was murdered was chosen by fifteen of his compatriots to be executed for, as they said, an unknown reason.

He was set upon, thrown into the sea, and then buried alive in the sand on the shore close to the camp.

The police surgeon has told the examining magistrate that the man's hand was clutched tightly over his mouth, evidently to prevent sand being forced into his throat.

Death was due to asphyxiation, no injuries being found on the body.

Witnesses, it is said, appear to be afraid to speak.—B.U.P.

KING'S TOUR POSTPONED

IT WAS officially announced from Buckingham Palace yesterday that the King has postponed his visit on Tuesday to the £10,000,000 Government munitions factory at Chorley, Lancashire, and to the two aircraft factories at Newton Heath and Stockport.

He will carry out these engagements on March 31, after the visit to London of the French President and Madame Lebrun.

The official announcement stated: "The King has found it necessary to alter his plans for the coming week, and has therefore postponed his visit to Chorley and the aircraft factories at Newton Heath and Stockport from Tuesday until Friday, March 31."

"Prosperity For All" Says Britain To Europe GERMANY READY FOR ARMS TALK

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN'S formidable armaments programme, and continued proof to the world of her financial strength, are two vital factors aiding Mr. Chamberlain in his policy of appeasement. Recent developments in the international situation have now convinced the Cabinet that

(1) Britain is so strong that nobody will begin a big European war; and

(2) A long period of trade prosperity lies ahead.

Because of these beliefs the Government, I am informed, is to pursue more actively its plans for an arms limitation conference.

HOPEFUL SIGN

Hopes that these plans will result in the lessening of Europe's armaments burden were strengthened yesterday by an inspired commentary circulated to foreign newspaper correspondents in Berlin. The commentary (says B.U.P.) states:—

"Recent declarations by Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Samuel Hoare, in which they speak hopefully of the international situation and of the possibility of an agreement on arms limitation have naturally been received in political circles here with the attention which every desire for a lessening of tension deserves.

"It is regarded as a hopeful sign that people in England now recognise and admit what valuable opportunities for calling a halt to the arms race the Western Powers have missed by not agreeing to Germany's numerous proposals for measures of armament limitation.

"However, the opinion is heard in many quarters here that it would be exceedingly desirable if the efforts for a lessening of European tension were supported by contributions to peace by the Western Powers."

SUMMER CONFERENCE

Within the next few weeks Britain's representatives in Paris, Berlin, Rome and Moscow will approach the respective Governments there and suggest that an arms conference should be called this summer.

Britain's case will stress the fact that she now considers herself safe from aggression and that the time is ripe for calling off the arms race and working for established peace.

At the same time it will be suggested that the nations should settle down in an atmosphere of security to exploit fully the trade prosperity ahead.

To prepare for that prosperity a British Trade Mission leaves London for Berlin to-morrow. Sir Peter Bennett, President of the Federation of British Industries, heads the delegation, which will meet leading German industrialists during the week.

On Friday two British Ministers, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, and Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary of the Overseas Trade Department, will also be in Berlin. They will speak at a dinner attended by German and British industrialists.

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WHOOPEE! Gracie Fields letting herself go at the Gaumont-British Film Ball at the Albert Hall.

BLIND BABY SEES LIFE ONCE MORE

From Our Own Correspondent

Liverpool, Saturday.

TO-DAY, FIVE-YEAR-OLD EDNA BEST, OF ROBERT ST., LIVERPOOL, READ A PICTURE-BOOK LIKE ANY OTHER CHILD. . . TWO MONTHS AGO SHE WAS BLIND.

A tumour of the brain—glioma—had threatened to take away her sight for ever, but radium treatment has saved her from this dreaded handicap.

Her parents had faced the hard task of deciding whether Edna's eye should be removed.

They took the one other course—a slender chance of the sight being saved by radium treatment.

SHE WAS SAVED

Edna went into Liverpool Royal Infirmary, and to-day was her day of triumph. She was taken home cured.

The case recalls the "death or blindness" baby of Chicago—Helaine Colan. At the age of six months she was suffering from glioma, and she had her left eye removed to save her from death as the growth threatened to spread over her brain.

A jury of doctors and clergymen had decided upon the removal of the second eye, but America's finest scientists pooled their resources and it was saved.

ROYAL DANIELI

IS FIT AGAIN

Mr. R. H. Walker, trainer of Royal Danelli, stated at Mullingar races yesterday, that Mr. McNally's Grand National candidate has completely recovered from his recent accident.

He will make his next appearance on Friday, in the Felttrim Chase at Baldoy, which he won last year before running at Aintree.

Premier's Historic

"Gamp" Is 40 Years Old

IT was revealed yesterday that the famous umbrella which Mr. Chamberlain has carried with him on his peace missions in Europe is 40 years old.

It was a present from his wife: it has been re-covered four times, and the Prime Minister will not part with it for anything.

This was told at a Women's Rural Institute Rally at Peebles by Viscountess Elibank, who said that, when having tea with Mrs. Chamberlain the other day, she expressed a desire to know the history of the umbrella.

M.P. With A—

£120,000,000 PLAN FOR SAFETY

Special to "The People"

A PROPOSAL TO BUILD 1,200 MILES OF STEEL-LINED ROADWAYS UNDERNEATH LONDON WAS OUTLINED YESTERDAY BY MR. R. R. STOKES, IPSWICH'S ENGINEER M.P.

His plan is for the construction of roads 60 feet below the surface and connected with the ground level by means of spiral roadways on which cars could travel.

£100,000 A MILE

More than 5,000 people, it is estimated, could be accommodated in every mile of these roadways in the event of air raids.

The scheme is claimed, would give adequate shelter for the whole of London's population at a cost of £120,000,000.

"Underground roads, 15 ft. in diameter and properly concreted, would cost £100,000 a mile, but the whole of the money spent would go to provide materials and employment," said Mr. Stokes.

Such roads, built under the surface, would solve London's traffic problem and would prove an asset in peace time.

"In a national emergency they would form bomb-proof shelters for millions of people."

FARR TO FIGHT BURMAN

New York, Saturday.

CLARENCE "RED" BURMAN, THE MAN WHO BEAT TOMMY FARR ON POINTS IN AMERICA, SIGNED TO-DAY WITH MR. SIDNEY HULLS, THE LONDON PROMOTER, TO MEET FARR AGAIN IN LONDON ON APRIL 13.

Mr. Hulls stated to-night: "I have just closed the deal with Jack Dempsey, who witnessed Burman's signature on the contract."

"Burman will sail for England in the Ile de France on March 18. "I may sail with him but I may wait until the following week and sail in the Queen Mary."

Mr. Hulls said the fight would be over 12 rounds.—Reuter.

£2,342,206 U.S.

PLANES FOR US!

Washington, Saturday. Britain and France, the State Department disclosed to-day, obtained export licences for more than £3,400,000 worth of aeroplanes and parts from the United States during the first two months of this year.

To-day's returns show that these purchases by the two countries were:— Britain, £2,342,206.

France, £1,118,885. More than £2,200,000 of the British licences were in respect of military aeroplanes.—B.U.P.

Budget Shocks★ ★For Tax Dodgers

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SIR JOHN SIMON, Chancellor of the Exchequer, will, I understand, introduce into his Budget next month new measures to trap wealthy tax dodgers, who, after one form of evasion has been made illegal, have switched over to another.

Aided by a Special Committee of Treasury officials, Sir John will announce plans to stop up loopholes through which the dodgers are evading Income Tax, Surtax and Death Duties.

Shocks for the 'dodgers' are expected to include legislation whereby exemption of death duties shall be no longer applied to gifts made to relatives more than three years before a testator dies.

Another proposed reform is that the handing over of life interests in entailed estates to trustees, in exchange for a capital payment, should be banned.

The Chancellor hopes, by these reforms, to swell the Exchequer by at least another £10,000,000 a year.

Temple Kisses Orgies Mass Protest By Angry Husbands

A CITATION AGAINST THE OM MANDLI CELIBACY CULT IN KARACHI REACHED A DANGEROUS PITCH YESTERDAY WHEN 5,000 INDIGNANT HUSBANDS, PARENTS AND GUARDIANS, LED BY THE VETERAN HINDU LEADER, SADU VASWANI, IN A WHEELED CHAIR, DEFIED A GOVERNMENT BAN AND JOINED A PROCESSION TO THE SECRETARIAL BUILDING.

Trouble was only averted by the intervention of Nicholas Fazlani, Minister of Public Works and Health, who gave the demonstrators a written guarantee that the Government would take action against the cult.

The Om Mandli cult had aroused indignation because its leaders taught celibacy, induced young girls to refuse to marry, wives to leave their husbands.

"MESMERIC SEDUCTION" The handsome forty-four-year-old founder of the cult, Bhaji Lekhray, and two men associates have been charged before the magistrate's courts with kidnapping girls and other offences against women, including "mesmeric seduction."

Om Radhee, the pretty daughter-in-law of Lekhray, and president of the Om Mandli society, is charged with abetting the three men.

The Om Mandli cult was formed about two years ago in Hyderabad. Owing to its teachings, war was declared on the Om Mandli by indignant husbands, fathers and guardians, supported by social workers.

Driven from Hyderabad by an organised campaign of opposition and murder threats, Lekhray set up his headquarters in Karachi.

Five irate mothers then picketed the palatial building of the Om Mandli on the beach near Karachi, and afterwards were awarded the legal custody of their daughters who had joined the cult.

HYPNOTIC TRANCE

After six more young girls had similarly left the Om Mandli, three other inmates are said to have been rescued by their brothers or fathers, who bundled them into fast cars and escaped to Hyderabad.

In the Hyderabad court the rescued girls accused Lekhray of indulging in orgies of kisses and embraces with his women disciples. They declared that he had the power to put women into a hypnotic trance.

Lekhray, they said, told the women that he was God, and as such had the right to command them in all things.

Nights which he spent in the great hall of the Om Mandli were known as the "golden nights."

Lekhray, it was stated, told disciples that he meant to emulate Krishna, the Hindu deity, who had 16,000 women votaries.—B.U.P.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER

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Tears At The Lyceum

3,000 SING A
SAD GOOD-BYE

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

THEY RANG DOWN THE CURTAIN ON PANTOMIME FOR ALL TIME AT THE OLD LYCEUM LAST NIGHT. THE DRAPES DROPPED SILENTLY ON THE LAST BRILLIANT

SCENE IN "QUEEN OF HEARTS," AND WHILE THE AUDIENCE FILED SLOWLY OUT DANCERS AND CHORUS GIRLS, STILL IN GAY TINSEL AND BROCADE, WEPT QUIETLY.

There were sad hearts back stage and front. For the last dashing principal boy has strutted the boards of the Lyceum, the last hilarious Harlequinade has run its course.

The old theatre, most famous home of pantomime in the world, has staged its last Christmas show.

NEARLY A CENTURY

There was a panto at the Lyceum in 1812. The Melvilles ran them in unbroken succession from 1910.

Nearly three thousand grown-ups and children packed the house for the last audience, linking hands with the artists as they sang "Auld Lang Syne."

Little Wally Mark, who for twenty years has played "animals" in Lyceum pantomimes, was there. He has been a panto cat, dog, monkey, bear and both the front and back legs of horses.

Joe Glynn, property master for nearly thirty years, who treasures a huge collection of tins and toys bearing the signatures of all the stars on their veils, Polly Bevington, the veteran dresser of principal boys and girls, Miss Elsie Davies, who has handled millions in her thirty-three years as cashier, Mr. Bert E. Hammond, grey-haired general manager throughout the Melvilles' reign—they were all there, all sad at the thought of saying farewell.

"It is good-bye to pantomime here," Mr. Hammond told me, "although there is a possibility that the old theatre may stage one last show."

"We do not have to get out until June, and if I can find a play to put on we shall not close."

A block of offices and flats is to be built on the site of the theatre.

BETTY ON THE
BARREL

This is one way Betty Lock, champion sprinter, of Mitcham, does her training.

FIRE ABOARD
P. and O. LINER

Fire broke out aboard the P. and O. liner Carthage, 14,000 tons, while on her way from London to Southampton yesterday.

The P. and O. Company state that the outbreak was small, and was quickly detected and extinguished by the ship's staff. Slight damage was done to the cargo.

The ship sailed, according to her timetable, from Southampton to the Far East later yesterday.

Narrow Escape For
Warship Commander

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

FAMOUS BRITISH NAVAL OFFICER, CAPTAIN C. CANTLIE, COMMANDING THE BATTLESHIP ROYAL OAK, OF THE SECOND BATTLE SQUADRON IN THE HOME FLEET, HAS HAD A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DROWNING IN PORTLAND HARBOUR.

After a dinghy had struck a buoy in the pitch darkness of the harbour, Captain Cantlie and the crew of two were hurled into rough seas.

The dinghy, reduced almost to matchwood by the force of the collision, sank within five seconds.

Left floundering in the boisterous seas, the Captain and the other two men had sunk twice before they were picked up by a launch from the Royal Oak.

Had the launch been a minute later in reaching the spot, all three men might have lost their lives.

Captain Cantlie was returning from shore-leave when the accident occurred. A dinghy, manned by a coxswain from the Royal Oak and a naval rating, was sent to Portland Pier to escort him to his ship.

The boat was proceeding to the Royal Oak, whose lights were visible in the distance, when it crashed into the buoy.

The coxswain and the naval rating were injured and taken to hospital. Captain Cantlie escaped injury.

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CROSSWORD No. 143

In connection with Crossword No. 143, the Adjudication Committee decided that the most meritorious answers on one square (see below) were those submitted by the following 21 competitors:

Miss E. Andrew, 110, Cardiff-rd., Portsmouth; Mr. J. H. Beardmore, 6, Churchfield-close, N. Harrow; Mrs. M. Brockbank, Edenhall, Fenwick, W. Brown, 38, St. Omer-close, Mulburton, Norwich; Mrs. E. Cameron, 2, Waterloo-rd., Barking; Mrs. M. A. Drabble, 25, Whitman-st., Burnley; Miss M. Gardener, 28, Oaklands-ave., Thornton Heath; Miss D. Harding, 109, Hither Green-lane, Lewisham; S. E. Miss H. Holdway, Stourdale, Bath-rd., Sturminster Newton; Mrs. E. Hyland, 94, The Drive, Hove; Mr. H. J. Kellard, 1, Central-rd., Gorton, Manchester; Mr. H. Linley, 59, Whitehill-drive, Brinsworth, Rotherham; Mrs. E. Main, Grosvenor House, Ashton-on-Mersey; Mr. W. MacCarthy, 29, Raglan-gds., Watford; Mrs. Meszlit, 102, Westfield-rd., M. R. Pringle, 518, Springburn-rd., Glasgow; Mrs. M. J. Riding, 10, Fairmount-ave., Bolton; Mr. F. T. Settle, 24, Priory-rd., Bolton; Mr. L. Sholem, 23, Lower King's-rd., Berkhamsted; Mrs. Skirrup, 4, Plover-Dukinfield, Mrs. E. Williams, 3, Foxs-lane, Waverton, Chester.

Subject to the terms and conditions of the competition, these competitors share the £1,250 first prize and will each receive a cheque for £59 10s. 6d.

Any other entrant who believes he or she submitted a square eligible for a share of this prize must demand a scrutiny by not later than first post Wednesday, March 15, 1939, enclosing a copy of all squares submitted, and postal order number. Envelope to be registered, marked "Crossword No. 143," and addressed to the Competition Manager, "The People," 6, La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Circus, London, E.C.4.

No scrutiny can be undertaken in connection with the runners-up prizes. 1st runners-up—329 competitors, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only one less apt and accurate answer compared with the best squares received, will be notified and given a choice of one of the 15 articles offered.

2nd runners-up—2,059 competitors, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only two less apt and accurate answers compared with the best squares received, will be notified; each lady will receive a pair of Turkish towels and each gentleman a mechanical cigarette-box.

WORTH-WHILE TIP

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CROSSWORD No. 143

The most meritorious answers were by competitors, decided according to aptness and accuracy by the Adjudication Committee, were those shown in the square below.

One square contains two letters to indicate that at this point competitors who used the words YEARN or LEARN were regarded as having submitted answers of equal merit.

Extracts from the reasons for Committee's findings in Crossword No. 143 form the subject of a helpful feature for would-be winners in this week's "The Competitor's World."

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BISHOP'S LETTER TO
FORGERY CASE JUDGE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

A SEALED LETTER FROM THE BISHOP OF BATH AND WELLS WAS HANDED TO MR. JUSTICE OLIVER BEFORE HE IMPOSED SENTENCE AT WARWICK ASSIZES TO-DAY ON A SELF-CONFESSED FORGER.

The judge read the letter and exclaimed "Yes."

He passed sentence of five years' penal servitude on Cyril Smith, aged forty-four, a newspaper manager, of Manor-rd., Coventry, who pleaded guilty on 11 counts of forgery.

Mr. Justice Oliver said that the offences had extended over some six years, during which Smith had robbed his employers by means of a series of forged documents, invoices and receipts and a forged share certificate.

A minister who had given evidence on Smith's behalf had pointed out that forgery was even more important than justice.

"That prerogative is not for me," said the judge, "and the least sentence I can pass is one of five years' penal servitude."

Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C., for the prosecution, stated that Smith had been in the service of the "Midland Daily Telegraph" newspaper, Coventry, from 1930 until the end of 1938. He came in a subordinate position, became secretary in 1933 and a director at the same time, and in 1936 became managing director.

INVENTED TWO PEOPLE

The depositions disclosed that for the whole period, from 1932, when the frauds appeared to have started, until June, 1938, sums of money were taken by means of forged documents to the amount of £14,494. There had been repaid by means of a forged share certificate the sum of £2,162, leaving total defalcations of £12,332.

Counsel said the frauds were carried out by means of inventing two persons. One was an Italian named Vacquer, said to have been carrying on business in Florence, on whose behalf Smith had had transactions with a Leeds firm for newspaper machinery by means of forged documents. At a later date Vacquer was said to have died.

In 1934 Smith found his banking account overdrawn, and deposited with the bank a certificate for £5,200, representing shares in the "Midland Daily Telegraph." This, Smith had admitted to be a forgery.

WOMAN'S BEQUEST
TO LORD BALDWIN

Lord Baldwin is mentioned in the £7,897 will of Miss Sibyl Mary Josephine Healey, of St. Francis-rd., Torquay. He is to receive one of her cloisonné plates and a packet of her father's letters.

She also bequeathed her picture of St. Francis and the birds, the packet of letters written by her brother the late Rudyard Kipling, to her friend Mrs. Alice Fleming, of Edinburgh.

Her residence, £700, money in the Post Office, her cats and certain effects she left to Frances Winifred Tucker, and Frederick Stoneman, employees.

DOCKERS WANTED
FOR THE ARMY

The War Office announces that a number of dock workers, used to handling general cargo, are required for enlistment into Category "C" Supplementary Reserve of the Royal Engineers.

There will be a bounty of £12 a year, and no training will be required in peace time.

Enlistment will, in the first place, be for four years.

FEWER GERMAN JOBLESS

The unemployment figures for the end of February show for Greater Germany a reduction by 190,000 for the whole month. There are still 456,000 people without work.—Reuter.

SWEETS FROM THE SWEET!



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Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C., for the prosecution, stated that Smith had been in the service of the "Midland Daily Telegraph" newspaper, Coventry, from 1930 until the end of 1938. He came in a subordinate position, became secretary in 1933 and a director at the same time, and in 1936 became managing director.

INVENTED TWO PEOPLE

The depositions disclosed that for the whole period, from 1932, when the frauds appeared to have started, until June, 1938, sums of money were taken by means of forged documents to the amount of £14,494. There had been repaid by means of a forged share certificate the sum of £2,162, leaving total defalcations of £12,332.

Counsel said the frauds were carried out by means of inventing two persons. One was an Italian named Vacquer, said to have been carrying on business in Florence, on whose behalf Smith had had transactions with a Leeds firm for newspaper machinery by means of forged documents. At a later date Vacquer was said to have died.

In 1934 Smith found his banking account overdrawn, and deposited with the bank a certificate for £5,200, representing shares in the "Midland Daily Telegraph." This, Smith had admitted to be a forgery.

WOMAN'S BEQUEST
TO LORD BALDWIN

Lord Baldwin is mentioned in the £7,897 will of Miss Sibyl Mary Josephine Healey, of St. Francis-rd., Torquay. He is to receive one of her cloisonné plates and a packet of her father's letters.

She also bequeathed her picture of St. Francis and the birds, the packet of letters written by her brother the late Rudyard Kipling, to her friend Mrs. Alice Fleming, of Edinburgh.

Her residence, £700, money in the Post Office, her cats and certain effects she left to Frances Winifred Tucker, and Frederick Stoneman, employees.

DOCKERS WANTED
FOR THE ARMY

The War Office announces that a number of dock workers, used to handling general cargo, are required for enlistment into Category "C" Supplementary Reserve of the Royal Engineers.

There will be a bounty of £12 a year, and no training will be required in peace time.

Enlistment will, in the first place, be for four years.

FEWER GERMAN JOBLESS

The unemployment figures for the end of February show for Greater Germany a reduction by 190,000 for the whole month. There are still 456,000 people without work.—Reuter.

KILLED ON LINE
IN HER SLEEP

From Our Own Correspondent

A WOMAN sleep-walker was cut in half by a train here to-day. She was Mrs. Rose Daw, sixty-two, of Moorland-rd., Cardiff, and railwayman found her body.

Mr. Daw, a foreman carpenter, employed by the G.W.R., awoke this morning and found that his wife was missing.

He ran out into his garden, which is near the railway embankment, and while searching there he was told of the tragedy.

BLIND MAN
OF 81 FOUND

MR. JOHN YOUNG, eighty-one-years-old blind Southampton pensioner, reported missing from his home this week, was found yesterday in Putney, London.

He lived in Hammersmith when he was a young man, but for the last 15 years he had not been out of Southampton. Mr. Young, who has been blind for 36 years, said, when he left his lodgings, "If I do not come back in time for dinner don't worry because I am going on a voyage of discovery."

He had found his way to London without anybody having seen him, except one man who recalled seeing a white-bearded blind man board a London motor-coach at Winchester.

£6-A-WEEK BARMAIDS

There are only 40 barmaids left in Cape Town, and they are asking for a wage of £6 a week, the same as barmen.

GOOD JOB CADBURYS MILK TRAY
ARE NOT AS EXPENSIVE AS
THEY TASTE

say 11 million sweet-tooths

The simple inexpensive boxes mean good value in the chocolates themselves.

That's the keynote of Milk Tray—value in the chocolates themselves. That's why the most popular chocolates in England to-day are Cadburys' Milk Tray; why people buy more of Milk Tray than of any other assortment on the market! Milk Tray are good quality chocolates that are packed well but simply—and can therefore be sold to you at only 6d. per quarter pound!

A real feast for flavour fans are these Milk Tray—with the most delicious centres, and a milk chocolate covering into the bargain. Try them for yourself—for value and flavour.

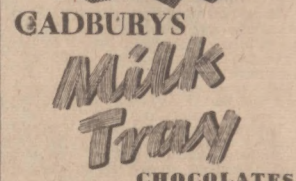
THIS IS THE
CHOCOLATE TO EAT
AT HOME BY THE
WIRELESS SET

Blessed is he, or she, who brings home a box of Milk Tray Assortment! What could be better than a cheery fire, a comfortable chair, a good programme on the wireless and a box of delicious Milk Tray to pass around!

That's a picture of a perfect evening! And the beauty of it is that it can happen so often—because Milk Tray Assortment is only 2/- a lb.!

(2/- a 4 lb. 6d. a 4 lb.) Very little and simple packing and a whole lot of good chocolates—that's the reason for the low price and tremendous popularity of Milk Tray.

I should be a good judge of chocolates—I've eaten enough! But I've never had any so much Milk Tray for flavour and value.



The Milk Chocolate Assortment that only costs 6d. per 1 lb.

Lawsuit Over Maid "ASTOUNDING PROPOSITION BY COUNSEL"

—SAYS JUDGE

BECAUSE OF THE "GREAT IMPORTANCE OF THE CASE TO EMPLOYERS AND SERVANTS," JUDGE DRYSDALE WOODCOCK, K.C., AT MARYLEBONE COUNTY COURT YESTERDAY, RESERVED JUDGMENT IN THE CASE IN WHICH "WRONGFUL ENTICEMENT" OF A DOMESTIC SERVANT IS ALLEGED.

He announced that he did this "although he had a very clear view of what his decision might be."

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brigstock, of Parsifal-rd., Hampstead, claim damages from Major and Mrs. E. J. Corse-Scott, and Miss Mary Ann Nolan, all of Chalmers-gdns., West Hampstead.

The claim against Miss Nolan, who is eighteen, is for alleged breach of contract of domestic service. The claim against the other defendants is for allegedly procuring and harbouring her while the contract of service still existed.

Mrs. Brigstock had given evidence that Miss Nolan, who was her maid, left her just before Christmas without notice and went to Mrs. Corse-Scott.

AN "INFANT"

Mr. H. H. Hanworth, for the defendants, submitted that Miss Nolan was, in law, an "infant."

"What is really behind this case?" he asked. "This girl, on December 22, walked out. She is eighteen and she does not like the place. No power the court has got, no power the House of Lords has got, can force her back."

Judge Drysdale Woodcock, K.C.: That has been laid down for all time. You cannot force her; the remedy is in damages.

Mr. Hanworth argued that on December 22 the Brigstocks had two alternatives—they could have accepted Miss Nolan's repudiation of the contract or they could insist on her carrying out the contract, and claim damages for breach of contract.

He submitted that by employing another servant they had not kept the contract alive.

The Judge: You mean that if a servant walks out and the employers get another servant they can never take an action of this nature?—Yes.

The Judge: That is the most astounding proposition of law I have ever listened to.

Mr. Hanworth was continuing his argument when the Judge intervened:

"In order to bring an action they must do nothing at all; they must do without a servant. Is it your argument that if they did not go without a servant until January 16 they can sue for nothing?"

Mr. Hanworth: That is right, with respect.

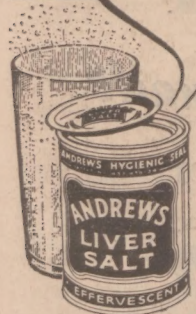
AT STANDSTILL

Mr. H. Edmunds (for plaintiffs) asked what would be the position, under Mr. Hanworth's argument, of a man who had a servant bound to him for seven years and in a few months he left. To found an action for what he had lost, the employer would have to wait for seven years and leave his business at a standstill.



**THE RULES OF
HEALTH**
are few and
simple

Excuse me—
Inner Cleanliness
comes first!



It's true. Ask any doctor. Inner Cleanliness must come first if you want to keep perfectly fit. And for Inner Cleanliness—take Andrews' Liver Salt. Immediately you drink your bubbling glass of Andrews it cleans the tongue and mouth. Next, it settles the stomach and corrects acidity—only in this way can the breath be sweet. Andrews wakes up the liver and checks biliousness. And finally—to make your Inner Cleanliness complete—it gently and efficiently cleans the bowels. Andrews is the delicious inner-cleansing health drink, the natural corrective of constipation. Take it regularly—the same dose is always effective. Observe, then, this foremost rule of health—Andrews for Inner Cleanliness. Get your own tin today. 4 ozs. 9d., 8 ozs. 1/4d.

For Inner Cleanliness be regular with your

ANDREWS
THE IDEAL TONIC LAXATIVE

When days are
cold try Andrews
with the chill off

(410)

GOING,
GOING,
NEARLY
GONE!

THE Whaddon Chase Hunt and Scots Guards point-to-point races were held at Nash, near Stetchley, yesterday, and here is a rider about to part company with his mount in the Adjacent Hunts' Maiden Race.



Rides 42-Years-Old Cycle at 81—and Claims Record

WHEN ALFRED BOCKING, AGED EIGHTY-ONE, OF CROSSING, NEAR BRAINTREE, ESSEX, GOES TO MARKET ONCE A WEEK, HE RIDES A FORTY-TWO-YEARS-OLD BICYCLE. Alfred claims that this machine, which was second-hand when he paid £20 for it in 1897, is the oldest in regular service on the roads of Britain.

"They call it the bike you can't smash," said Mr. Bocking yesterday. "I've had my share of accidents with it."

"I've been through hedges; I've been in ditches; and last year I hit a cart head on. But you cannot hurt my old bike, and I'll ride it until I die."

Quins and The King

THEY MAY SEE HIM AFTER ALL

Ottawa, Friday.

DR. DAFOE, who looks after the health of the Dionne quintuplets, will not oppose their going to Toronto if the King and Queen express a wish to see them.

He said today that to ask the King and Queen to go to Callender, Ontario, to visit the Quins, "just isn't done."

"A Royal command is a Royal command," he added, "and if the King asks to see the little girls I guess we'll have to produce them."

"But the children will only be taken to Toronto if they are in good health, and the consent of the Board of Guardians has been obtained. Proper arrangements must be made for their care."—B.U.P.

Mrs. Roosevelt told the Press to-day that she assumed, in the light of custom and precedent, that the King would lay a wreath on the tomb of George Washington during the royal visit.—Reuter.

PUBLISHER LEAVES £24,459

Mr. Hugh Raiton Dent, of West Wittering, Chichester, Sussex, chairman of J. M. Dent and Sons, publishers, left £24,459.

A fortune of £41,070 was left by Mr. Noel William Burbridge, of Stumperlowe Crescent-rd., Sheffield, a vice-president of the Halifax Building Society.

"Gift" From War Office

"TERRIERS" TOLD WHAT TO DO IF—

EVERY TERRITORIAL ARMY SOLDIER IS TO RECEIVE A POCKET-BOOK FROM THE WAR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. IT WILL TELL HIM ABOUT A NEW SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE WHICH WILL COME INTO OPERATION IF HE CALLED OUT FOR SERVICE.

A new method of documentation has been introduced and the pocket-book will ensure that every Territorial has in his possession full information about the procedure if he is called up.

It will also furnish facilities for the recording in peace of National Health Insurance and Unemployment Insurance particulars, to enable such insurances to be resumed on his release from service.

Men will be required to arrange for the disposal of their National

Health Insurance cards and Unemployment Insurance books before they leave home to join for service.

The book contains a statement of family particulars to be completed by married Territorials before they leave home to join for duty, to enable correct rates of family allowances to be paid.

Territorials who wish to declare a voluntary allotment will be required to defer their declaration until after the first pay day following embodiment, or being called out for service.

British Miners'

UNION LEADER STRIPPED BY NAZIS

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Durham, Saturday.

MR. WILL LAWTHORP, ACTING-PRESIDENT OF THE MINERWORKERS' FEDERATION, COMPLAINED TO-NIGHT OF "ARROGANT TREATMENT" METED OUT TO HIM BY GERMAN OFFICIALS AT AACHEN, ON THE GERMAN-BELGIAN FRONTIER ON FRIDAY.

He returned to Durham to-night after attending a Miners' International at Cracow, Poland, and he told me that at the German-Polish frontier his passport was examined.

At Aachen, German officials called on him to leave the train to be examined.

His shoes, collar and tie, which he had removed during the journey, were brought to him, and in the office he was asked to strip. His jacket and waistcoat were taken off, and the train went on without him.

He added that German officials closely scrutinised his shaving brush handle and even the rubber heel pads of his shoes.

He later joined his companions on the journey—Mr. Ebbey Edwards, secretary of the Federation, and his son, Mr. Denis Edwards—in Brussels.

"During the past few years," added Mr. Lawthorpe, "I have visited almost every country in Europe, but have never been subjected to such arrogant treatment as I had to undergo at Aachen."

"It is my intention to communicate the facts to Mr. Whiteley, M.P., so that the matter may be raised in the House of Commons."

JUMP IN RADIO LICENCES

During February the Post Office issued 839,500 wireless receiving licences. This figure represents a net increase of 14,409 in the number of licence holders during the month.

COURTS REVEAL— HUBBIES IN MORE TROUBLE

HUSBAND: "I DON'T REALLY BLAME MY WIFE FOR WORSHIPPING THE GROUND HER MOTHER WALKS ON. AFTER ALL, SHE ONLY SEES ME ONCE A WEEK!"

Man: "I thought my wife was only pretending to faint, but when I picked up her handbag and she didn't say anything, I knew something was wrong."

Husband: "My wife is always polite when she's in a temper. It's like quarrelling with a lawyer."

Woman: "I got a terrible shock when I opened my husband's letter. There was a pound note in it."

Defendant: "I asked the wife to come to the Labour Exchange to certify that I was paying her the money, and she said, 'No, you must pay it first.'"

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In New Films—

THEY ARE ALL HE-MEN NOW

GOOD-LOOKING "MATINEE IDOL" TYPE OF FILM STARS ARE LOSING THEIR BOX-OFFICE APPEAL, SO HOLLYWOOD EXPERTS HAVE DEVELOPED A TECHNIQUE FOR TURNING THEM INTO "HE-MEN."

The first step in the process is casting them in parts requiring plenty of action; and an example of this process is Robert Taylor's parts in "The Crowd Roars" and "Stand Up and Fight."

But that wouldn't be enough without more specialised treatment. Suits are not allowed to be too per-



"HE-MAN" ROBERT

fect. Shoes must not be very elegant or too polished. Then the star is given a slightly darker make-up, to give the suggestion of a tanned complexion. Max Factor, Junr., the famous specialist in all such matters, maintains that the hair plays a particularly important part in the evolution of a "he-man."

Murder Confession Shouted In Court

"I ALONE KILLED AGENT"

You May Not Agree That—

Beggars Should Be Abolished

ON THE WALL BELOW THE PRIVET HEDGE AT THE BOTTOM OF OUR GARDEN, MYSTERIOUS CHALK MARKS APPEAR, LIKE SHARPS AND FLATS ON A MUSIC STAVE.

I am told they are the notation of the beggar community, informing members that our house is "easy," or "not so easy."

Now, although I am in the dark on the code, I guess those signs must give the right-away to every vagrant wedded to the highroad.

Daily processions up our garden gravel pay tribute to the persuasion of mendicants and the impressionable heart of my wife. So I have threatened to buy a fierce bulldog.

The worst time was when one sturdy rascal reeled up to our verandah and breathed alcoholically his tale of woe.

It chanced that my wife was away in town, and I was left to open the door and face the fumes.

You can wager your last three-penny that this call for alms for an imaginary bunch of starving offspring was stonily received.

By "The Philosopher"

ANYWAY, UP TO OUR DOOR SKILFULLY LIMPS EVERY BRAND, FROM TIRED TIM TO THE COLLAR-AND-TIE ARTFUL DODGER WHO RECOUNTS HOW HIS FIRM CLOSED YESTERDAY, TO LEAVE HIM ON THE ROCKS.

One old lady either forgets the districts she has exploited or doesn't care a rap who remembers her last visit.

During five years now, half a dozen times she has watered our step with crocodile tears, and it is her constant plaint that her old husband has just been run down by a car and rushed to hospital, leaving home without a crust in the cupboard.

My wife falls well and hard for lots of our visitors. Not so the police-sergeant on the beat at the foot of the lane.

Superb and pithy is his sarcasm on suburban simpletons encouraging "highway pub-crawlers."

DON'T LIKE BEGGARS. I OR I SHOULD SAY I DON'T THINK MUCH OF A SYSTEM PERMITTING THE ART OF BEGGARY THERE OUGHT TO BE NO SUCH ANIMALS.

Nine out of ten, says the police-sergeant, are swindlers. Possibly he is severe, but whatever the ratio, State licences for genuinely hard cases, suggested in some quarters, would be a mistake, too. Begging should be completely forbidden, because it demoralises "him that gives and him that takes."

Our deserving poor should be removed from the beggars' ranks by satisfactory allowances. Professional bogus poverty should be dealt with by State correction.

That is a picture worth consideration.

END THESE THOUGHTS ON BEGGARS PROMPT ME TO A FINAL CONFESION. TEN YEARS AGO I WOULD HAVE GIVEN AWAY TERRITORY TO THE "HAVE-NOT" COUNTRIES.

Other times, other ways. My belief now is that to give away a single colonial acre, UNCONDITIONALLY, would be folly. If we do, without the proviso of complete universal disarmament, the writing on the wall will invite increasingly arrogant demands from nations who are beggarly themselves.

RESORT OBJECTS TO GERMAN REFUGEES

Hythe Town Council object to Sudeten German refugees in the town. A party of 30 have been accommodated in Moyle Tower on the seaford, a hostel of the Holiday Fellowship, and a local committee, with the Rev. G. S. Morgan as leader, has been arranging for their comfort.

But Moyle Tower opens its holiday season on March 25, and the refugees will have to find other accommodation.

The Mayor called a special meeting of the Town Council to consider the situation. It is understood a resolution was passed requesting the Mayor to inform the local committee that the Town Council consider the housing of foreign refugees in holiday resorts is very undesirable.

POLICE RAID STUDENTS

Warsaw, Saturday. Revolvers, hand-grenades and explosives were found by the Polish police in a raid last night on a students' hostel at Lwow, when 86 arrests were made and three police wounded, one of them seriously.—Reuter.

OUT FOR A DUCK



Easter eggs may be popular with the youngsters, but these ducklings, newly hatched, were evidently eager to come out of their shell and see a bit of life.

539 BRITISH MILLIONAIRES

Special to "The People"

BRITAIN now has ten more millionaires, making a total of 539, according to the latest report of the Inland Revenue Commissioners.

For the purposes of the returns, millionaires are reckoned to be those with an annual income of £40,000 and over.

The following table shows the number of persons in the two years 1935-36 and 1936-37 with a total statutory income in excess of £40,000 based on assessments made September 30, 1938:—

Income	1935-36 number of persons	1936-37 number of persons
£40,000-£50,000	189	182
£50,000-£75,000	185	204
£75,000-£100,000	72	73
Above £100,000	83	80

The total assessed income in 1936-37 of 95,750 persons having incomes of over £2,000 was £483,739,386.

PRISONER DEFIES COUNSEL

Versailles, Saturday.

AN ANGRY ARGUMENT BETWEEN PRISONER IN THE DOCK, WHO INSISTED HE HAD KILLED A HOUSE AGENT, AND HIS COUNSEL, WHO EQUALLY INSISTED HE HAD NOT, WAS THE STRANGE SCENE IN THE VERSAILLES COURT TO-DAY.

Eugen Weidmann, the young German, who is accused of six murders, and has confessed to five, declared: "I alone killed Raymond Lesobre."

His counsel, the famous Maître Morograffer, who defended the "bluebeard" Landru in the same court, declared: "You did not kill him; you were not alone."

MANACLED TO GENDARMES

Turning to the judge, counsel exclaimed: "He is shielding someone else." But Weidmann shouted: "I killed Lesobre."

This was the second day of the trial. When he entered the dock Weidmann was again manacled to two gendarmes.

Also in the dock were his three alleged accomplices, Roger Million, Jean Blanc and Colette Triol.

In contrast to his angry retorts to his own counsel Weidmann was sullen and obdurate when questioned by the judge.

Although he had confessed to the murder, he refused to tell the judge how he committed it. "I would rather you did it," he said.

The judge told how on November 25, 1937, Weidmann telephoned to Lesobre and arranged to meet him in a villa, Mon Plaisir, for which Lesobre was agent.

While Lesobre was standing on the cellar steps, Weidmann, who was behind, shot him. Weidmann took 5,000 francs (about £28), keys, a driving licence, a gold ring and cigarette lighter from the body.

Defence counsel again tried to get him to say that there was another person in the villa, the mysterious stranger whom Weidmann at one time accused of Lesobre's murder, but Weidmann refused to respond.

Asked direct whether he or another person killed Lesobre, Weidmann nodded and then said: "But I cannot say."

The hearing was adjourned until Monday.—B.U.P.

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- 2.—It's the name of a town in the East; it's the name of a district too; it specialises in a kind of walking-stick. Name it.
- 3.—It's the name of a person who has charge of a thing; it designates a protector; it indicates one who may act as a parent without actually being one. What is it?
- 4.—It's a kind of love poem; it's an unaccompanied vocal composition in five or six parts; it's a term sometimes applied to a glee. What is it?
- 5.—It's the name of a species of goat; it's the name given to the material made from its hair; it's a kind of shawl. Name it.
- 6.—They were a party of evangelical worshippers; they had no regular ministry; they formulated no definite creed; they left England because of discontent. Who were they?
- 7.—It's a source of energy; it's productive of power; the help of nature is often utilised to enable it to function. What is it?
- 8.—It's often given; it's often taken; it's often small; it's sometimes large; it's usually given as a reward for service. What is it?
- 9.—It's the name of a famous river in Great Britain; it's the name of a well-known football team. What is it?
- 10.—It's a symbol of authority; it's the term applied to the person who carries it officially; it's a kind of spire. What is it?
- 11.—It's the name of a cathedral city in England; it's the title name of one of England's former Prime Ministers. Name it.
- 12.—It's suggestive of the unscrupulous statesman; of the intriguing politician; it derives its name from the author of a book exposing such characters. What is it?

(ANSWERS IN PAGE ELEVEN.)

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DRAMA at the OPERA

By

Hannan Swaffer



KING EDWARD VII

YES, I know, but where's the story? It was with these words that a colleague greeted me when I gave him what, at midnight, I had just dashed off—a description of a gala performance at the Opera.

They had arranged for a royal visit to London, in 1907, the most brilliant entertainment seen at Covent Garden for years.

And, mind you, as one who has been a guest at such functions in Paris, New York, Madrid and old-time St. Petersburg, I can say with knowledge that, when London does try to show itself off, even the most blasé of journalists is impressed.

You almost forget the vegetables in the vast market next door, although the phrase "Cabbages and Kings" comes to your memory.

Now, in the great box specially arranged in the centre of the grand tier, there sat Edward VII and his Queen, Alexandra, his guest and his son and daughter-in-law, afterwards George V and Queen Mary.

In those days, Opera was Opera. Edward VII, who enjoyed Covent Garden as much as George V disliked it, used to sit in the omnibus box with the old Duchess of Devonshire and the Marquis de Soveral. An aristocracy that led a more leisured and more gracious life than it does to-day really had a place in the musical life of London.

Now, the *nouveau riche* is seen there, instead. Industrialism has, in modern life, taken the place of Nobility.

Great Array Of Talent

WELL, that night, I sat in a box on the grand tier, and looked down on a splendid array of uniforms and a glittering array of jewels.

As for the programme, in one Puccini excerpt, I heard Melba, Caruso, Sammarco and Scotti, a combination far beyond any rivalry that could be found to-day if you searched all the opera houses of the world. And that was only one part of the programme.

I looked out on a scene of brilliance—"All London," as they call it upper crust. Yet, unknown to me, I looked out on hidden tragedy.

Well, I could not describe what I did not know. So it was that, when I got to my office, I was angry with my colleague. For, excitedly, I had written from instant experience what is now only a dim memory—a glowing description of beauty and radiance.

Who's the fellow who died in the Royal Box? he asked. "The fellow who died in the Royal Box?" I replied. "It's the first I've heard of it."

I am not surprised that I missed the story. They kept it from everyone. They behaved, indeed, with the discretion with which a suicide is kept quiet at Monte Carlo.

So it was that, unknown except to a few, Major-General Sir Arthur Ellis, one of the King's Equerries, Comptroller of the Lord Chamberlain's Department, and one of his oldest friends, suddenly gripped his throat as though suffocated, and fell back unconscious.

His scarlet uniform, with its long row of medals and decorations, became a limp heaviness that slithered to the floor.

Managers rushed to the scene. Two attendants supported the body from the auditorium, holding it as much erect between them as they could, so that it should look like a man suffering from faintness, but nothing more. They took it to the corridor at the side.

Major Ponsonby, another Equerry, laid him out flat. When they found that the old man's pulse was not beating, he was carried into an ante-room. Everyone was told he had merely fainted. His wife, however, guessed he was dead.

Victim Of Heat And Excitement

THEY summoned Sir James Reid, the King's Physician, from the audience. They found Sir Frederick Treves, surgeon to the King, among the glittering throng.

Dr. John Harold, too, was found, and he had a hypodermic syringe. No one, however, had any strychnine.

A footman was rushed off to a chemist, who would at first not supply him. The footman blustered and threatened, until at last the chemist gave in.

By the time the strychnine was taken back, the old officer was dead. They had tried artificial respiration in the meantime in vain.

Sir Arthur did not recover consciousness. He had died of heart disease, the result of heat and excitement.

Now, the dramatic part of the story is that he died at the exact moment that Bowser, outside, was ringing with cheers as the royal party stepped from the carriages into the foyer.

Now there arose a great problem. King Edward hated the thought of death. He could not be told. Besides the man who had passed away was a friend of his youth, his manhood and his age.

"If the King knows," said one of the management, "he may stop the performance, and that would never do."

They put the body in an office. They sent for an ambulance from Wellington Barracks, and then they smuggled the



Inside the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden.

corpse out of the building, and got it away.

By this time, the performance had started again. Golden voices filled the theatre. The jewels went on glittering. From his box, Edward VII, with his Royal guests, looked down on the most brilliant scene a London theatre had witnessed for many years.

Not until he reached the Palace, and was home again, did the King know. Nor did anyone know except the management, and the doctor.

But, by the time I had arrived at my office, the rumour of a tragedy at the gala performance had reached it just before me.

"I didn't see any death," I replied. "I don't know what you're talking about."

Nor did the King. Nor did anybody else—except the management and the doctors.

Discretion Of Young Princess

I COME across, in Scotland, many stories. I heard how, when George V came down to breakfast at Balmoral, one day, Princess Elizabeth was at the table, talking too much.

"Your face is dirty," said the King, to stop her.

"No, it isn't, Grandpa," she replied.

"If the King of England says your

face is dirty," answered George V, "it is dirty. If there is any argument about it, there might be a European war."

Yet, sometimes, Princess Elizabeth is discreet.

Old Dr. Warr, the famous Scottish preacher, was at Balmoral one day at breakfast, when he said to the King that he would like to send Princess Elizabeth a book.

"There are so many kinds of books for children now," said George V, "many more than there were when I was a boy. Elizabeth has quite a lot."

"What kind of book would you like, my dear?" said the old minister.

Princess Elizabeth suddenly saw his clerical collar and replied, "Oh, one about God."

Zena Dare's Engagement

I SHALL always be a friend of Zena Dare because of the way in which once, in trying circumstances, she kept her word.

A newspaperman who was in several kinds of trouble—he was awaiting an operation in hospital, divorcing his wife, and other things—asked me if I would do his weekly feature while he was ill.

"What do you do?" I asked.

"I always start off with some celebrity," he said. "If I were well this week I should do Zena Dare. She's at the Coliseum."

Well, just to oblige him, I went along, and after trouble for Oswald Stoll had recently given a new order about visitors behind the scenes, got to Zena Dare's dressing-room.

Just to start the conversation, I began: "I want you to promise that when you are engaged you will tell me first."

Held The Scoop Until Monday

ZENA'S name was then being coupled in talk with Lord Escher's two sons, Oliver and Maurice. Her frequent appearance with the Escher family had caused it. But no one knew who the lucky man was to be.

"I have got every Stage and Peerage word scoop since Camille Clifford," I said. "And I mustn't miss you."

"But I'm engaged now," replied Zena, to my astonishment.

"Which one is it?" I asked. "Maurice," she replied. "When did you get engaged?"

"Last night."

"How many people know?"

"Now, only three people. You're the third."

I was in a quandary. We were speaking on the Saturday afternoon, and my paper did not come out till Monday morning. News like that doesn't usually wait for many hours.

"Now you must promise God you

won't tell anyone else till Monday morning," I said to her.

Zena, to my surprise, swore she would not tell anybody.

I rushed back to the office, got, after great worry, a photograph of the Hon. Maurice Brett a few minutes before the Aldershot photographers closed at six o'clock—young Brett had been an officer in a regiment quartered at Aldershot—and, on the Monday morning, I announced the engagement on Page One, with the pictures.

On the Sunday night a newspaper friend had called me up to warn me.

"I hear you're publishing Zena Dare's engagement to Lord Escher's son," he said. "I have just been on to Lord Escher, who denies it."

"That's all right," I replied, for I knew that Lord Escher did not know.

Well, that week-end Zena was staying with the Escher family at their house in Windsor Park.

On the Monday morning she sat at breakfast on one side of Lord Escher, with Maurice Brett on the other, while

the head of the household went through paper after paper, the "Times" first and then the "Morning Post," grunting disapproval or uttering a word of comment on news or opinion. Then, at last, he came to my paper.

Incurring The Parental Wrath

"WHAT the devil's this?" he shouted, seeing his son's picture coupled with Zena Dare's printed, together.

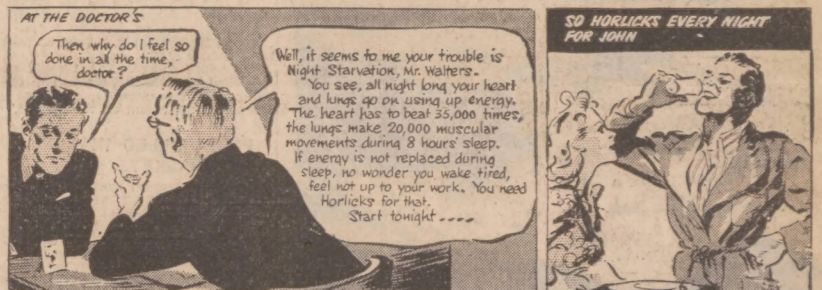
"How dare they lie like this!"

"Father, it's true," said Maurice. Then the thunder burst. How dare a newspaper know before father?

My scoop pleased neither the Eschers, nor the Doneses. Zena was a daughter of Arthur Donese, who was clerk to Mr. Justice Bigham, afterwards Lord Mersey.

Lord Escher went up in the air. Mrs. Donese called at my office and said:

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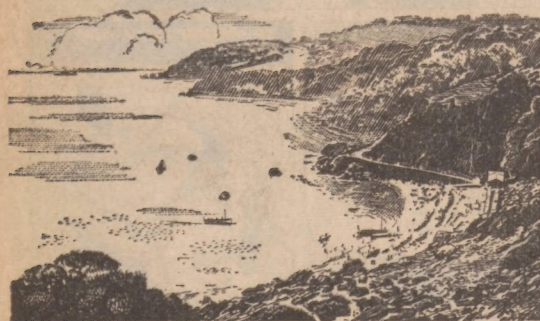
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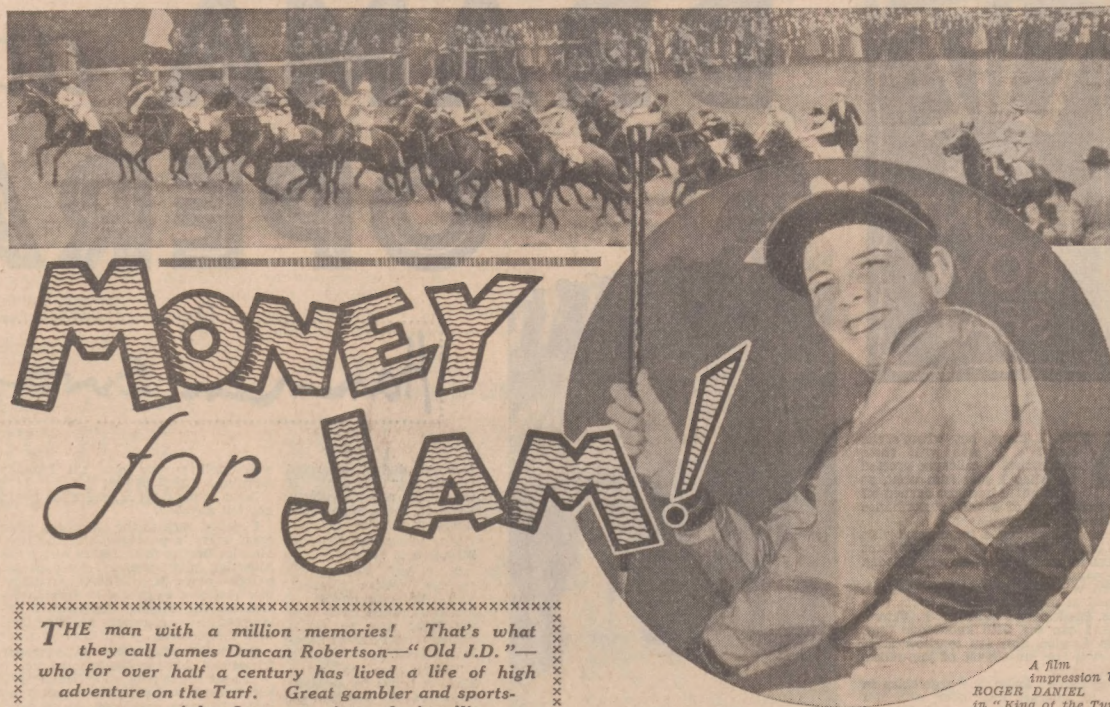
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I suppose you would say it was an accident that old Mike O'Hara happened to be driving down Sydney's main street just as Jimmy Robertson was looking for a cab to take him to the racetrack. Maybe it was, but I prefer to think that the little imp of destiny controlling "Old J.D.'s" fluctuating fortunes must have been in particularly pookish mood that bright summer's morning. There he was £10,000 in debt, disconsolately wondering how on earth he was going to meet his creditors, when he drives Mike O'Hara, red-faced and grinning, with £50,000 sticking out of his pocket! Well, perhaps that may be exaggerating the facts a little, but you can't deny that if Mike had not pulled smartly into the kerb, flourished his whip and inquired "Where to, sir?" in his rich Irish brogue, Jimmy Robertson would have had a very awkward settling day. Now, it isn't often that a man picks up a cab and £50,000 at the same time; in fact, I very much doubt whether anyone but Jimmy ever has done it, and that is why I want to tell you this story of his horse Meteor and the lucky sweepstake ticket.

DREADED THE NEXT SETTLING DAY

"This was about two years after my big win with Coronet," he told me, "and I was not doing too well. In fact, I was in a very tight corner indeed. A couple of good things on which I had plunged heavily had come unstuck and I was left with £10,000 to find by settling day. Apart from this I had the expenses of my training establishment, which cost me £500 a week, to find every Monday morning. "However, I had been in awkward spots before, so I didn't lose heart at the one or two knocks I had taken, but set my wits to work scheming out the best way to transfer that £10,000 to the other side of my account. "I had several good horses in training, among them being Meteor, a full brother to Ringwood, the horse that won the Australian Cup when Coronet broke down, and I decided to try to retrieve my fortunes by means of a coup with Meteor. I had him entered for the Hawkesbury Handicap at a meeting about twenty miles from Sydney, a race in which I made him out to have an excellent chance at the weight. "I raised every penny I could and travelled from Melbourne several days before the race with the intention of skinning the cream off the market."

FORESTALLED IN THE MARKET

Jimmy Robertson arrived in Sydney with his packet of "ready," as he described it, hoping to get any price from fifteen to twenties about his horse, but he hadn't been in the city long before he had an unpleasant shock. No one would pay him any decent sort of odds against Meteor, and he soon discovered the reason. A hot tip for the horse had beaten him to Sydney, and a prominent sportsman and hotel proprietor in the town by the name of Asche—father of Oscar Asche, of "Chu Chin Chow" fame—had stepped in betting £4,000 at 100-8. In desperation "Old J.D." went along to see Mr Asche. He found him in the dining room of the hotel he owned, presiding in a spotless white apron behind the huge sirloin of beef which he always insisted on carving. While Mr Asche neatly sliced the joint Jimmy Robertson stood by his side vainly endeavouring to persuade him to let him have an interest in his wager. "It was hopeless," Robertson told me. "I pointed out that I was short of cash and that as the owner and trainer of the horse I naturally had expected a nice win. But I couldn't move him. "I walked out of that hotel in very low spirits. There was Meteor all ready to win, but with the odds tightened right up I couldn't afford to bet enough to get me out of trouble. "I stood there for a few minutes wondering why on earth I had been such

a fool—as to take up racing as a career, and then I decided to take a run out to the racetrack. "I hailed a passing cab and on the way the driver looked down from his box and began chatting to me. "Going out to the track, eh, sir?" he said. "Now O'm wondering whether you'd be after knowing the gentleman

By J. D. ROBERTSON As told to A. W. HELLIWELL

they call "Ould J.D."—him that owns Meteor now?" "I told him yes, I knew 'Old J.D.' quite well, and inquired why he asked. "Well, it's loike this now, yer honour," he explained. "O've had the good fortune to draw his horse in the sweepstake, and it's phat kind of a chance it's got that O'me wanting to know. "Quite good, I should imagine," I told him, "but I'll try to see the owner and find out for you." "The old cabby thanked me and went rambling on, but I wasn't listening any more. I was too busy with my thoughts. "The sweepstake—Adam's Tattersalls Pools, they called it—was a huge lottery with a £50,000 first prize, and there was I riding in a cab behind the very man who had drawn my own horse! "When we got to the track I made a proposition to him. "Look," I said. "That ticket you hold only cost you a pound. If you've got it with you I'll give you a pound to make a big and certain profit right now. I'll give you a thousand for it!"

TRYING TO DRIVE A BARGAIN

"At the same time I produced a fat wad of notes and began peeling them one by one. "The old cabby's eyes gleamed, but he shook his head resolutely. He said he would rather hang on in the hope of winning the big prize than part with it for a thousand. "I couldn't make him change his mind, but before we parted for the day I engaged him to call for me at my hotel every morning so that, at least, I should not lose sight of him. "Punctually at nine o'clock every day his cab drew up at the door, and although I did not really need him, I kept him driving me around until night. "Most of the time I spent trying to persuade him to sell the ticket, pointing out that £1,000 in his pocket was better than hanging on to it and very likely winning nothing for his pound. "But he was an obstinate old man and refused to sell. I would have increased my bid in the hope of tempting him, but that was impossible. "Then, twenty-four hours before the race was due to be run, I had a brain-wave. I ordered a horsebox down to the track and had Meteor put into it and driven back to Sydney Station. "I went to the station in Mike O'Hara's cab, and when we arrived several newspapermen came over and began asking me questions. "Yes, it's quite true, boys," I said loud enough for Mike to hear. "That's Meteor's box. I've decided not to start him for the Hawkesbury Handicap tomorrow. He is going straight back to Melbourne this afternoon." Jimmy Robertson went on talking to the reporters for a few minutes until he was interrupted by someone tugging at his arm. Looking round he saw Mike O'Hara fuming with rage. "So you're 'Ould J.D.'?" he spluttered. Jimmy nodded. "That's right," he said. "And you're scratching yer horse from the races to-morrow?" said the cabby. "Right again," Jimmy replied. "You

see, I don't really think it would pay me to run him, and I'm not in this business for the good of my health. "When the cabby heard that he wanted to fight him there and then. "How about my ticket?" he shouted, squaring up to Jimmy. "How about my £50,000?" "That's nothing to do with me," Robertson reminded him. "After all, I did offer you £1,000 for it, you know." Then, as he walked over to the horsebox with the cabby raging at his elbow, he said in an undertone: "Of course, I might still pay you that for it if you felt inclined to sell." When he heard this Old Mike's face went two shades nearer purple, but, as "Old J.D." pointed out, £1,000 was better than nothing, which was what he would certainly get if he hung on to the ticket. "At last," Robertson told me, "he gave way. The ticket and the money changed hands on the platform, but Meteor's box still went on to the Melbourne train. I knew, however, that the train made a stop near Sydney, and I had made arrangements for the horse to be taken off there and brought back to the track. "With the ticket transferred to me things looked much brighter, for if Meteor won I knew I should be able to pay all my debts and still have about £40,000 to play with. But my troubles were not over. "The only danger to Meteor was a horse called Jewel, which was very fast away from the gate and might jump into a big lead.

THE STARTER HAS AN INTEREST

"When I got out to the track on the day of the race the first news I heard was that the official starter held the sweepstake ticket that had drawn Jewel! "I had intended watching the race from the stand, but I realised immediately that my place was at the starting post. "After all, £50,000 was a devil of a lot of money, and with the starter interested in the chance of one of the favourites anything might happen. "As soon as I had given my jockey his riding orders I went down to the post, and I had not been there long before it became evident that the starter was going to do his best to get Meteor left. "He tried to confuse my jockey by cursing and bullying him for not keeping in line, while all the time Jewel was kept well away from the rest of the field waiting for a favourable moment to jump off with a nice lead. "But I didn't let him get away with that. 'Take no notice of the starter,' I shouted to my jockey. 'Keep your eyes on Jewel—and when he goes you go.' "A quarter of an hour went by and the horses were still at the post, most of them getting very nervous and restive by this time as the starter tried to catch Meteor facing the wrong way for a minute.

HAULED BEFORE THE STEWARDS

"At last I lost my patience. Now I had with me a long stock whip with which I was something of an expert in those days. I could flick a fly off a horse's flank from ten yards' range or crack a cigarette from between a man's lips with unflinching accuracy. "Suddenly, realising that the starter was doing his best to cheat me of the race, I saw red. "I flicked my wrist and the end of the whip coiled itself neatly and securely round his thick neck. I gave it a tug that half-strangled him and then I shouted: 'Send these horses off at once, you old villain!' "He could see that I meant business, and so away went the field with Jewel and Meteor running neck and neck. "Meteor won in a thrilling finish, but as soon as my jockey had weighed in I was hauled before the stewards to explain my conduct at the post. "They fined me £50 for insulting behaviour, but I could afford to pay that with a smile out of the £50,000 I had to collect! "Mentioning Jewel's name reminds me of another occasion when I was short of cash and had to go to a well-known Melbourne moneylender named Marks for a £5,000 loan. "I had a horse called Precious Stone with which I was hoping to win a sprint at Geelong and when Marks asked me what I wanted the money for I told him it was a deal in precious stones. "Going into the diamond market, eh, J.D.?" he said. "Well, I'm glad to hear

you are giving up racing and going into legitimate business at last. Of course you can have the money." "So I struck a bargain with him. I offered to repay £5,000 unless I paid the money within a month, when all he was to receive was the ordinary bank rate. "The next week Precious Stone ran at Geelong carrying most of that £5,000 in wagers. He won, but when Burton, my jockey, went to weigh in he could not make the weight! "My heart stood still as they threw the bridle on to the scales—you are allowed that as a make-weight—and they tipped over with just two ounces to spare! "As soon as I got back to Melbourne I called on Marks. I paid him his £5,000 plus the bank rate and a bonus of a thousand Coronas. "How's the gem market, J.D.?" he inquired. "Couldn't be better," I told him. "You should try a flutter in it yourself one of these days."

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Hawk-nosed Sailor who Spoofed the

SEA DEVIL!

WHEN the last ocean sailing-ship has been broken up, and men have forgotten how to reef or lay out along a yard, the romantic story of the German war-time raider Seeadler will still be told as the grandest of all sea yarns.

AND with it will be told the deathless narrative of its commander, hawk-nosed, laughing Count Felix von Luckner, Germany's greatest sailor, who thumbed his nose at the might of the British Navy, which christened him the Devil of the Sea.

BUILT at Port Glasgow in 1888, this 1,571-ton vessel, the Pass of Balmaha, belonged to the post-clipper period when sailing ships had taken a new courage, and for a brief spell sought to rival the new steamers as cargo-carriers. Under the Red Ensign, the Pass of Balmaha became well known with her smart spars and taut rigging. All over the world, in many a port, sailors looked at her with respect.

Then came the war, and she was sold to American owners. On June 23, 1915, she left New York with a cargo of cotton bound for Archangel, got across the Atlantic, but on July 21, when north-west of Cape Wrath, her crew were surprised by a British patrol steamship, which insisted on taking Pass of Balmaha into port for examination.

Two days later she was north of the Hebrides, when, to the horror of British and Americans, they saw the German submarine U-36 appear and sink a steamer. At six the following morning U-36 surfaced again, sank a British trawler and a small coasting vessel, and now motored alongside Pass of Balmaha.

It was an awkward situation for the boarding party of one officer and six men. Believing the Germans' visit would be short, the British officer burnt his secret orders, told his men to borrow

clothing from the Americans, and hide themselves in the forepeak till the submarine shoved off.

But Lieut.-Commander Graeff, in charge of U-36, decided to capture the ship and put Petty Officer Lamm aboard, with instructions to take her into Cuxhaven.

The idea was fantastic, but it succeeded. For Graeff wirelessed another U-boat off the Shetlands to look out for her, and thus the sailing ship was shepherded south to Heligoland. By marvellous luck the Pass of Balmaha



British Navy

range for supplies, learnt the interesting news that H.M.S. Amethyst was searching the South Atlantic for a certain German raider; that H.M.S. Glasgow, having come in to coal, would soon join the search.

Von Luckner actually had the nerve to walk round, watch Glasgow's men in the throes of fuelling. Then, having purchased 350 lb. of tobacco, 500 boxes of cigars, 20,000 cigarettes and other stores to the value of £2000, he put to sea again in Pinnore.

After three days he met Seeadler at an appointed rendezvous, transferred supplies and crew, and destroyed Pinnore by a bomb.

Seeadler sank a few more vessels, but their survivors amounted to nearly 300 men, crowding his space. Having captured the French barque Cambonne, he dismissed them aboard her—but under Captain Mullen—for Rio. Lest they should blurt news too quickly, a man was ordered aloft with a saw to lop off Cambonne's gallant mast, and under limited sail she departed while Seeadler went south till sighting of icebergs.

Across The Pacific Ocean

The zeal of British cruisers, the considerable amount of wireless going on, made Von Luckner uneasy. It was time to clear out. On April 18 he was rounding Cape Horn.

Hallo! Ship in distance! Binoculars were focused.

"A large steamer. Englishman. Armed merchant cruiser."

But lucky Von Luckner need not worry. Out of the sky broke a sudden squall, which sent Seeadler scudding

along at 15 knots into obscurity. And soon she began a long sweep right across the Pacific. By mid-June she was hovering about the equator in Long

150 W, roughly half-way between Australia and Western America. The breath of war had scarcely stirred this area of the globe.

Judge, then, the astonishment of three American skippers when this mystery ship sailed down the inter-continental trade route and destroyed their respective schooners. The United States had barely entered hostilities, yet 48 of her maritime citizens already were prisoners in a vessel that once flew the Stars and Stripes!

July ended. After seven months at sea, and half encircling the world, Seeadler badly needed a scrub below water-line.

Moreover everyone needed rest just as the contemporaries of Captain Kidd used to careen their hulls. And on August 2 all the American sailors, plus half the German crew, got busy with their scrubbers, while the other people went ashore for a day's picnic.

Barely had the latter landed at 9.30 a.m. than they were summoned back by the firing of a gun. Looking across the water, mind could hardly accept what eyes presented. The steady trade-wind had, without warning, swung round the other way, blowing Seeadler on a lee shore, and a tidal wave, having lifted her up, had deposited her well along the reef where steel sides were being pounded into jagged holes.

All hands set to work, sails were unbent, brought ashore, and turned into tents for 109 men. Wireless was erected between two lofty palm trees, and began listening-in.

A year's provisions were brought from the ship, but plenty of pigs and game were discovered on Mopelia, while ample turtle and fish were found in the water.

Did Not Call Their Bluff

After a short spell of the simple life Von Luckner fitted out one of Seeadler's 32 ft. boats as a sloop with mast and sails, selected five companions, and on August 23 started westward on a long search through the South Sea Isles, the idea being to make in the direction of Fiji, seize some American schooner, bring her back to Mopelia, there arm and provision her, carry on raiding, and in time capture a bigger ship.

At an island in the Aitutaki group they made fast to the pier, and anticipated awkward questions from the first. Just another of those crazy amateur stunts. Sailing from the U.S.A. for a £15000 wage.

But off the Fiji Islands the sloop all but foundered and ran into Wakaya Bay for shelter.

On the morning of September 21 better weather enabled the sloop to leave, and she was just weighing anchor when the local 535-ton s.s. Amra rolled into the bay. A boat was lowered and rowed smartly across to the German craft. Two white officers of the Fiji Constabulary and five native policemen bobbed up, seven revolvers and firm resolution so dismayed the six Seeadler people that it was all over in a few minutes.

"We surrender," Von Luckner said. "We are done... done."

But when once they reached Amra, up went "the balloon." Fury and indignation knew no bounds as German prisoners discovered this steamer to have neither guns nor soldiers. Eighteen hundred miles' turbulent sailing—for this! British "bobbies" and bluff!

Next Week: THE TERROR BY NIGHT



COUNT FELIX VON LUCKNER (The Sea Devil)

evaded all our patrols and reached Cuxhaven at the beginning of August. The boarding party were made prisoners.

This sea story, by its surprises, makes fiction seem commonplace. Yet I have verified all the facts. I will vouch for the coincidences as truth.

Within twelve hours of dismissing Pass of Balmaha on July 24, U-36 was molesting another ship, when a typical old dirty collier came chugging along. And, like the dog of the fable with a piece of meat, Graeff left one morsel to sniff at the new discovery. The latter was only a little fellow of 373 tons, and would be sunk in the fewest minutes.

First Success Of Q-Ships

Alas, for the self-confidence of Graeff! She proved to be the s.s. Prince Charles, which normally carried only her captain and nine hands all told. This day, however, there were also nine naval ratings, Lieut. J. G. Spencer, R.N.R., and Lieut. Mark Wardlaw, R.N., in command. For she was an Admiralty decoy ship, armed with hidden 3-pdrs. and 6-pdrs. which (after the White Ensign had been hoisted) replied to German shells so cleverly that U-36 was holed, smashed, and sent to the bottom.

Graeff and 14 other officers and men were picked up, the survivors out of 33. This, the first success of the Q-ships, resulted in £1,000 being shared amongst the merchant crew. Lieut. Wardlaw received the D.S.O.

Now, at the Battle of Jutland, in the battleship Kronprinz, was a gunnery officer, Count Felix von Luckner, a vigorous, hearty, bronzed, 6 ft. stalwart, with fair hair, blue eyes, and immense courage. His maternal grandmother was English, his passion for sea and ships very real, his love of adventure something beyond expression.

Von Luckner was wounded at Jutland, and convalescence bored his temperament. At last the German Admiralty sent him to Hamburg to find a suitable decoy ship. Typical of the man and his ways, he chose no steamer. With true sailor instinct his eyes fell on the still lovely, though neglected, Pass of Balmaha.

Then the fun began. Who would dream of suspecting an old-time sailing ship? Not even the most cautious master mariner ever contemplated such a possibility as sea- versus-steam in this age. So the 3,268-ton British s.s. Gladys Royle, taking coal from Cardiff bound for Buenos Aires, was easily captured and sunk on January 9, the s.s. Lundy Island next day; and others soon followed.

Coming along under her cloud of canvas, Seeadler looked so entrancing, that ships had no wish to give her a wide berth. By prudently using his motors in light winds, Von Luckner made her ghost along and gradually overhauled other sailing vessels.

In this manner were destroyed the Canadian schooner Perce, the French barques Charles Gounod and Antonin, the Italian Buenos Ayres; for he was now well on the trade route to South America.

Secret Doors And Lift

The dockyard people now took her in hand and with utmost secrecy fitted her out. Two Diesel motors were installed, a couple of 4.2 in. guns stored between decks but ready for mounting, while a pair of torpedo-tubes were added for destroying any British cruiser which might thwart her at close range.

Von Luckner thought of everything, and left nothing undone. While he changed her name to Seeadler (Sea Eagle), he had the saloon floor cut out and replaced with a hydraulic lift, capable of being lowered 14 ft. by the pressure of a button. Thus, should a prize crew come aboard and wish to take Seeadler into harbour for examination, he would wait till the boarding party was having a meal. Down they would descend as his prisoners, and find themselves covered by rifles.

Bombs, explosives, machine-guns, carbines, a concealed wireless plant, were all stowed. A large cargo of heavy timber was packed so as to block the usual entrance to the hold, though secret doors were fitted.

The real crux of the cruise would be to get past Scotland, but he himself resembled a Norwegian. He had once served in a Norwegian ship, and the German Admiralty now supplied him with Norwegian papers as well as a log-book stolen from the Norwegian sailing-ship Maleta.

Not merely that, but Norwegian photographs were brought on board, the labels of Norwegian tailors sewn inside coats, the 64 crew and seven officers all chosen to tally with the documents: the pretended ship's name to be the Irma from Norway, and everyone was taught to speak Norwegian.

One of my friends, who met von

By E. Keble Chatterton
(The Famous Naval Historian)

cushion-covers of Norwegian colours, and well-displayed portraits of Norway's King and Queen. Everything was so convincing, that Irma soon received permission to proceed, and after an exceptionally quick passage through bad weather the former Pass of Balmaha arrived south of the Azores.

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Renewing An Old Acquaintance

On February 19, when 540 miles north-west of St. Paul Rocks, a British barque slightly bigger than Seeadler showed up in the distance. She so filled the discriminating eye of the Count that this time he himself went off in the boarding boat. Strutting aft along the stranger's deck, he had no difficulty in recognising her as the Pinnore.

Mounting the poop, his face lit up as he scrutinised the brass of the steering-wheel.

See those initials," he attracted Captain Mullen's attention. "Well, they're mine," said Von Luckner. "Yes, I scratched them. Don't believe me? Let me tell you I served two voyages in this Pinnore, 'way back in 1902. That's 15 years ago."

Strangest meeting on the high seas! And, with remarkable enterprise, Von Luckner turned it to good account.

Seeadler was getting short of tobacco, vegetables, fruit, and certain other provisions, while only 100 miles away below the horizon must lie Rio de Janeiro. Leaving Seeadler in charge of his chief officer, Von Luckner sailed Pinnore into Rio, went ashore to ar-



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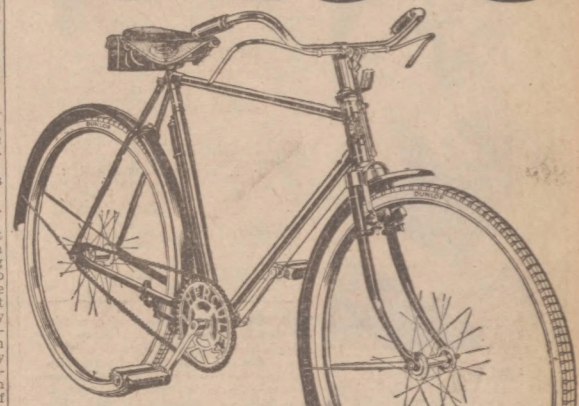
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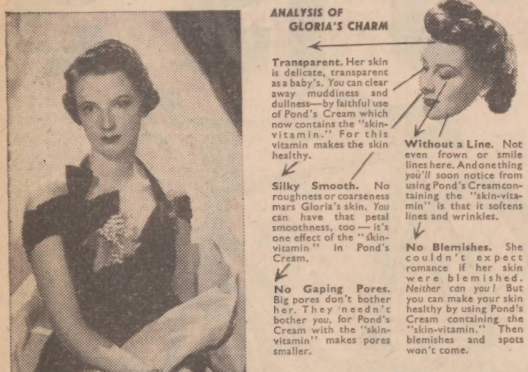
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LADY ANNE HILL (above) Before her recent marriage Lady Anne combined a social life with business. "Luckily my skin didn't need elaborate attention for Pond's Cold Cream has always kept it in good condition," she explains. She is out-of-doors a lot yet her complexion never loses its exquisite look. "I've found that Pond's Vanishing Cream makes it smooth at once, and powder, And now, thanks to the 'skin-vitamin,' these creams are even more marvelous. They have made my skin much smoother, fresher and finer."



A RISK THAT CAN BE TAKEN TOO OFTEN

WHY take unnecessary risks day after day? Surely it's better to be safe? Millions of families think so—that's why you use Izal toilet paper in so many homes now. Each sheet is thoroughly impregnated with Izal—the germicide hospitals use. Think twice before you allow in your home any spongy toilet paper. Its use may lead to self-infection. There's no danger of that with Izal. Izal paper gives you hygienic protection such as no other paper can offer. Ask for it always!



Wearing o' the Plaid

By BETTY BLUE

RIBBONS, ribbons, ribbons. You see them fluttering everywhere. Three or four strands of them in different colours make the gayest of belts and sashes. Rows of inch-wide ribbed silk ones give weight to the hems of many of the short full skirts.

As for hats, there are ribbons at the back, knots under the brim, or on top of the turban. But to my mind, the cutest ribbons of all are the picot edged ones, in a red and green tartan, which are used to trim the new sailor hats.

You see exactly how it's done in the picture; quite a bunch of ribbon loops in the centre front, and the hat is worn tilted well forward over the eyes. Such a provocative youthful fashion, I am sure you will be all wanting a new sailor for Easter Sunday. The burnt straw ones are the most fashionable at the moment, with a chip edge to the brim.

Then if you are quite in the Balmoral mood you will knot a neat little Paisley patterned scarf under your chin, with the end tucked into your coat.

All the fashions this summer are designed to make us look young; almost flapperish, in fact. Hair is trained to grow longer at the back. It can either be arranged in a neat little row of sausage-roll curls or caught together by a velvet ribbon bow. Curls over the ears are again fashionable.

You can wear frilly blouses with your tailor-made, buckles on your shoes, flowers in your buttonhole, and even have an inch of frilly petticoat showing, and you will be up to the last minute in 1939 back-to-youth styles.

My Household ABC By Mrs. "X"

AN old-fashioned wooden single bed will make a most attractive divan if you cut the legs down and remove the head and foot boards. You will then be able to cover it with material to match your material and pile cushions on top.

BOXES which are moth-proof can be bought to pack away blankets and other covers until next winter. Heavy velvet curtains should be rolled, so that they do not crease.

COLOURED sheets are fashionable at the present time. Have your white sheets dyed a pastel shade to match your bedroom.

DAMP spots on walls often mean that bricks need repointing, or may be from some more serious cause. Get in a builder to inspect them.

EBONY can be cleaned with linseed oil. For ivory ornaments use a brush dipped in sal volatile, and piano keys may be rubbed with a soft rag dipped in milk.

"THE PEOPLE" PAPER PATTERN SERVICE

No. 501.—DIRNDL FROCK

HERE is the latest dirndl frock which all the world's gone crazy about. The joy of these dresses is that they will fit practically any figure. Look attractive with its full gathered skirt. Easy to make, too, as thread elastic is now available for those gauchings at the waist, and full instructions for making 'em are obtainable from "The People" Paper Pattern Service, 222-5 Strand, London, W.C.2, priced to each post free. Postal orders should be crossed. When ordering, state number and size required. Name and address in BLOCK LETTERS. You will need the sketch for reference.

Prizes of 5s. will be awarded for the best Household Hints beginning with P. Q. R. Entries must be written on postcards (not enclosed in envelopes) addressed to "Mrs. X," c/o "The People," 72, Long Acre, London, W.C.2. They should reach the office not later than Wednesday, March 15.

SO many houses have an old-fashioned grate which is ugly and a trouble to clean. You can box it in with plywood and fit a gas or electric fire in front.

CHEERY COONS' CORNER

EASY AS ABC

HERE'S a trick that is as easy as ABC after Eb' has told you the secret. Ask your chum to make from nine matches three and a half dozen. That will stump him! Of course he will jump to the conclusion that you mean "three dozen and a half" (42), but you meant what you said—three, and a half-dozen. That makes nine, doesn't it? So when you put three matches on one side and six on another, "Voilà," as the Frenchman says, the trick is done!

RAIN COMING!

Why do seagulls fly low when rain is coming?—Because the insects they are chasing have fled from the cold places high in the sky to the warm air near the earth. You see, in wet weather the upper regions of the sky are colder than the lower. Like you, insects prefer the warm spots!

Why do seagulls fly about over the sea in fine weather?—Because they live on fish and sea creatures, and the surface only when the day is fine. In stormy weather the fish are beyond their reach, so the gulls fly inland in search of worms, etc.

Why do petrels fly so during a storm?—So they can fish and insect found in the air above the spray of big waves. Petrels are birds of the duck kind. They can run on the tops of waves. Gulls can't do this.

MYSTERY STORY

A man in the Midlands went to catch a train to London. He saw two trains just leaving the station in opposite directions. He jumped into the train which he thought was the right one. The carriage was empty. As the train was speeding along, he looked out of the window and saw something which at once told him he was travelling away from London. What was it he saw? (Answer below.)

ANSWER TO MYSTERY

The arms on the telegraph poles. On our main lines the arms are always on the side nearest to London.

DRAWING AND COLOURING COMPETITION

£1: 15s.: 10s.: 10 Half-crowns as Prizes

You haven't taken out your paints lately to try to win a prize. Here's your chance then! Out out the daffodil picture, then paste it on a postcard. When dry, colour as neatly as you can with paints or crayons. The artist has forgotten to finish the bank on which the daffodils grow; he has also missed out the background of the sky, thought was the right one. The carriage was empty.

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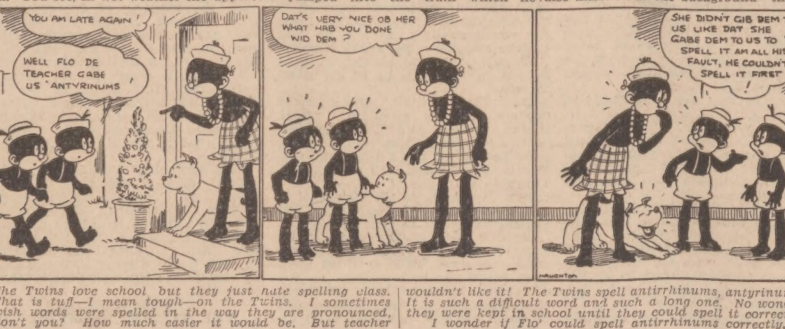
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Sossies and Mash By "HOUSEWIFE"

THE sausage is a most accommodating friend to housewives. Put him on the breakfast table, with "mashed" for dinner, or make a road-in-the-hole and you will be giving the family a tasty and substantial meal.

A pound of sausages solves the difficulty if something is needed to "help out." Sausage stuffings are very good, too, and there are various dishes that can be made with them.

Perhaps you have your own sausage concoction which is a favourite in your home. If so send me the recipe, and for the best I receive and publish there will be a prize of 5s.

Send your recipes on a postcard (not enclosed in an envelope) addressed to "Housewife," c/o "The People," Acire House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2. We are offering it at less than half the usual price. A mere 2/- for a suit length 24 to 27" carry you through spring and summer, and a 3/- for a suit length 28 to 30" carry you through autumn and winter. The new longer jacket in new velvet-coloured dress, all-round belt, the garments and lovely just square shoulders. Lined throughout with silk taffeta. The skirt is in one toning colour with centre front pleating room. See one ON APPROVAL. Send 2/- Deposit (plus 6d. postage) and this will be sent for you to try on. If not satisfied, return it for a refund. Deposit is refunded immediately. Otherwise pay the balance on delivery. NO EXTRA FOR EASY TERMS.

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WALNUT DELIGHT PUDDING

INGREDIENTS: 6 sponge cakes, 2 eggs, 1 pint milk, 2 oz. caster sugar, ¼ lb. shelled walnuts.

Put the sponge cakes into a basin. Beat the milk and sugar and pour over the cakes. Beat the egg yolks and add the chopped nuts and pour over the sponge cakes. Beat the mixture well and fold in the stiffly-whipped egg whites. Turn into a well-buttered pudding dish and bake until a pale brown, ¼-¾ hour. Serve with cream or custard. W. Wilkes, 31, Hotten-ter, Clifford-st., Newport, Isle of Wight.

MACARONI AND SULTANA

INGREDIENTS: 3 oz. sultanas, 2 oz. macaroni, 1 oz. butter, 1 pint milk, 2 oz. sugar, 2 eggs, breadcrumbs.

Boil macaroni in slightly salted water until tender. Drain well. Heat ½ of the butter in a saucepan, put in drained macaroni, sultanas, sugar and egg yolks, beaten with milk. Mix well. Put mixture in buttered pudding dish, sprinkle top with breadcrumbs and caster sugar. Pour over melted butter. Bake 1 hour.—Mrs. J. Turnbull, 21, Elliott-st., West Hartlepool.

Perfect Figure Control

WITH 'DR. WALES' CORSET

For uplift with freedom of movement, adjustable corset, and strong wearing qualities you MUST try DR. WALES' ABDOMINAL CORSET.

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Spring Special BARGAIN PRICE 21/-

Striped jacket—Plain skirt. STRIPED JACKET—PLAIN SKIRT. At first it was a whisper—now it's a roar. If you want to keep in fashion, favour you must have a suit like this for Spring. We are offering it at less than half the usual price. A mere 21/- for a suit length 24 to 27" carry you through spring and summer, and a 3/- for a suit length 28 to 30" carry you through autumn and winter. The new longer jacket in new velvet-coloured dress, all-round belt, the garments and lovely just square shoulders. Lined throughout with silk taffeta. The skirt is in one toning colour with centre front pleating room. See one ON APPROVAL. Send 2/- Deposit (plus 6d. postage) and this will be sent for you to try on. If not satisfied, return it for a refund. Deposit is refunded immediately. Otherwise pay the balance on delivery. NO EXTRA FOR EASY TERMS.

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Coupon

Please send me Model LC.15. Enclose crossed 1/- Postal Order for 2/6 (2/- Deposit & 6d. postage) with full name (Mrs. or Miss) and address (Postcard please). Please 12/3/39

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You cannot get lasting relief from these tortures until you attack ALL the acids and toxins which cause your affliction. The remedy to do this is Eades brand Rheumatic and Gout Pills. These Pills are so composed as to form a reliable ALL-IN remedy for rheumatic ailments. Their astounding efficacy is due to the fact that they not only clear the muscles and joints of uric acid, reducing its torturing, crippling deposits to a liquid state and expelling them, but the remedy also clears out lactic and other acids and poisons which previous treatment has left behind.

You can positively count on getting great benefit from Eades Pills, no matter how long and badly you have suffered. A witness from Banbury, Oxfordshire, states: "I feel that I must let you know that Eades Pills have done more for me than anything I have had for Rheumatism. They have done my general health so much good and also my pains, that I feel a new man. I wished I had known about them when I was younger. I am 65 now, and I have suffered more or less for 40 years."

Get Eades brand Rheumatic and Gout Pills and have this relief to-day! 1/3 and 3/- from your nearest chemist. (Insist on the genuine Eades Pills, nothing else will do.) Trial sample gratis and postage free from George Eades Ltd. (Dept. D.113), 232, Goswell Road, London, E.C.1—Advt.

CYCLAMEN YOUR LIPS...

and give your smile the subtle, romantic charm that men can't resist. The new GUTTARE CYCLAMEN Lipsticks are made in two warm, exciting shades which Paris has decreed as the mode for 1939. The glowing, transparent colour of GUTTARE CYCLAMEN lasts all day, thanks to the "Kissix" base which is proof against smoking, eating, drinking, even kissing. Try GUTTARE CYCLAMEN to-day—you'll be delighted! G for the daytime, and NOIR (Black, Lipstick), De Luxe and Standard Models, 24/11 and 28/11. Size 1/2. On sale everywhere. C. & N. P. Ltd. (Dept. A.31), Wimbledon Factory Estate, Morden Road, S.W.19. The same 16 delicate shades exist in GUTTARE CYCLAMEN for your cheeks.

ACHING FEET

The natural oils drying out of your skin make your feet feel hot, sore. The skin gets hard. "Vaseline" Petroleum Jelly replaces the oils, makes your feet feel young again.

No need to buy expensive remedies. "Vaseline" is best and you already have it in the house. 1s. 4d., 6d., 3d. Also handy tubes and tins.

Vaseline instant relief

Petroleum Jelly

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WHY DOCTORS ADVISE LIQUID LAXATIVE

Laxatives are always best in liquid form, above all for a child. For, if you give a solid laxative the stomach may not properly dissolve it, and a chemical opening medicine in concentrated form may irritate the sensitive lining of a child's bowels.

Ask any doctor you know. He will tell you that the best laxative for children of all ages is the liquid laxative, "California Syrup of Figs." He will say this because it is made from fruit and vegetable extracts and is, therefore, the most natural laxative in the world. Being a liquid you never have to worry and wonder whether it is lying in one spot irritating and gripping your child's inside. You can judge just how much "California Syrup of Figs" to give your child to ensure a gentle yet thorough intestinal cleansing. No risk of a straining, weakening, purging overdose. And how children love its delicious flavour! See how their eyes sparkle when you bring out the bottle for their weekly dose which keeps them so gloriously fit.

Get a bottle of this ideal laxative. Obtainable everywhere at 1/3 and 2/6 a bottle. The latter size is the cheaper in the long run. Be sure you get "California Syrup of Figs" brand—Advt.

Breakfast calls for this FRUITY sauce—just try it!

SAYS: *Master O'Kam*
—the Saucy Boy.



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THE SAUCE THAT DOES YOU GOOD

Nazis' Fear 'LITTLE MEN' SPIES THE DANGER

"LOOK OUT FOR THE 'LITTLE MAN,'" WARNED THE HAMBURG DISTRICT LEADER OF THE NAZI SECRET POLICE, DR. HASELBACHER, IN A LECTURE ON "HIGH TREASON AND HOW TO PREVENT IT" AT HAMBURG.

The laymen got wrong ideas from films as to how spying was conducted, said Dr. Haselbacher. "The big spy" wasn't dangerous, but not so the little men who picked up odd facts here and there from unsuspecting Germans.

"Foreign countries are especially interested in everything connected with German defence forces," he said. "In this connection civilian A.R.P. measures are important, too."—B.U.P.

Boom In Atlantic Travel

50,000 Britons To Take Royal Example

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"
JOHN BULL AND UNCLE SAM WILL BE SEEING PLENTY OF EACH OTHER THIS SUMMER. BETWEEN MAY AND AUGUST 50,000 BRITONS ARE EXPECTED TO CROSS THE ATLANTIC.

The forthcoming visit of the King and Queen to Canada and the United States looks like giving west-bound Atlantic travel the greatest fillip ever.

Many tourists and third class passengers will take advantage of the single-fare-and-a-half excursion offers during the early and middle part of the holiday season.

after SMOKING

VICK'S
Soothe tickling throats. Freshen the mouth.
TASTE GOOD—DO GOOD

"CURES" OF THE MAN WITH HEALING HANDS

IN THE SHADE OF THE OLD APPLE TREE

WELL, hardly the shade as yet, and it may not be an apple tree seen in the background in any case. But the spot where their caravan has rested seems just right for tea for two, and if the blossom is anything to judge by this will be a still more delightful spot when Spring has done its stuff in a few weeks' time.

Cripples Can Now Walk Again!

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"
"PINT OF BITTER, PLEASE, AND IS TOM AROUND? MY RHEUMATICS IS BAD TO-DAY?" BARMEN ARE USED TO SUCH QUESTIONS IN THE "FAVOURITE" PUBLISHED, QUEENSLAND-RD., LONDON, N.7.

For since Tom Campbell, friend of the landlord, came to frequent the "Favourite," dozens of sick men and women have flocked there to benefit from the healing powers with which he is credited.

Although Tom, thirty-one-years-old Irish plasterer, knows little about medicine, he already has a following of several thousand folk who believe he can cure the sick.

"HOPELESS" CASE
Each Sunday, cripples, the blind and infirm flock to St. Clement's Church, Barnsbury, and, before the altar, are ministered to by the young Irishman.

On weekdays the tents in the saloon bar of the "Favourite" helped by Mr. Collingwood Reed, the landlord. One of his "cures" is twenty-one-years-old Charlie Davidson, of Blenheim-road, Holloway. For most of his life Charlie has been in bed with paralysis legs. But when I called to see him yesterday he was out.

His delighted mother told me:—"We thought Charlie would never walk because doctors had given up his case as hopeless."

"But we heard of Mr. Campbell, who massaged him, and to-day Charlie is able to mount the stairs and go out for walks."

"He never uses his invalid chair now."

IRONS DISCARDED
Betty Burch, a girl in her teens, is another local "cure" which has set people talking.

Doctors thought she would never regain the use of her legs, which were paralysed, but after four months' treatment by the "man with healing hands," she was able to discard her irons and is now able to walk quite well.

I some cases the Irishman hypnotises his "patients"; in others, he anoints with oil, massages or manipulates their limbs.

"You can say I'm just a normal person who likes a drink, a smoke or a dance," the "healer" told me when I called on him.

MOTORING NEWS By THOMAS H. WISDOM

PLASTIC CAR WILL BE HERE SOON

CARS IN WHICH NO METAL IS USED AT ALL, EXCEPT FOR THE ENGINE, MAY BE WITH US IN THE COURSE OF A YEAR OR SO. EXPERIMENTS WITH A NEW MATERIAL ARE NOW GOING ON IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

The new material, which takes the place of steel, consists of strips of paper or fabric saturated in resin and compressed at pressures of up to 6,000 lb. per sq. in. The result is a material of tremendous strength which does not collapse when it is struck hard.

In Germany a motor-cycle frame has been constructed of this new material, and in this country a frameless car body has been the subject of experiments.

RACING BEGINS
The racing season opened at Brooklands yesterday, and we had an interesting meeting of races for both cars and motor-cycles. However, there was an absence of really fast cars at this first meeting, and there is a distinct feeling that 1939 is going to be a difficult year for the racing driver. The number of events has been cut down.

Motor manufacturers, at a recent meeting of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, decided that the scheme to build a team of Grand Prix cars in this country should not be supported.

As regards the national fund to keep going the B.R.A. team, our only racing team, after this season, something may be done. I understand that now an agreement has been reached on the subject and an announcement will be made on March 29.

Most interesting test of the week was with the new Austin truck. I had the long-chassis model with a load of concrete blocks, weighing four tons, and with this vehicle we went "primrosing" in the Worcester district. We were looking for some really difficult hills to climb, and we found them, their banks massed with primroses.

The vehicle is already extremely popular with traders because it is capable of a very high performance—0 to 30 m.p.h. in slightly under 20 seconds—while the petrol consumption, carefully checked, worked out at 12.6 m.p.g. during my test. Particularly was I struck by the ease of control, the splendidly accurate steering and the comfort of the cab.

If you want to see the country you should drive a truck—visibility is twice as good as any of the 1939 cars. The price of the 3-ton long chassis Austin truck is £322, which compares very favourably with other trucks on the market.

CLERK IS NOW CABLE "KING"

FORTY-SIX YEARS AGO A YOUNG JUNIOR CLERK DREAMT OF NEW WAYS OF BRIDGING THE OCEANS OF THE WORLD.

To-day, that clerk, Mr. Edward Wilshaw, is £30,000,000 combine—Cables and Wireless.

Yesterday, he pointed out the company's greatest achievement—a cable stretching 3,466 miles, from Vancouver to Fanning Island—and then went on to tell me something of the romance of the submerged lines of communication that circle the world half a dozen times.

More than 200,000,000 words a year are sent over Edward Wilshaw's 164,000 miles of wires—words that have changed history, or sealed the fate of nations; words that have turned gamblers into millionaires, and made millionaires paupers; brought war, peace, famine and plenty.

Over these cables famous men have

£30,000,000 COMBINE

Special to "The People"

sent eventful messages. Great statesmen and business men have used them to convey their secrets in code.

The late King George once sent a message from Wembley Exhibition. It was flashed round the world and returned to him in 1 minute 50 seconds.

Though Edward Wilshaw meets many of the rich and famous, he likes it best when the skippers of cable steamers drop in for a chat.

For these old "sea dogs," ploughing the seven seas, have rare tales to tell—

tales of cables broken and repaired despite enormous difficulties.

Thus, when the German cruiser *Menckens* cut the Empire's link at Fanning Island, the resident staff not only found the break, but joined the cable strands together with ordinary copper wire.

It was a bare job, and would have been useless on the ocean bed, but when the men tied it securely to an anchored raft, it worked like a charm.

Connection was re-established, and the German attempt to cut off our communications was foiled.

ANSWERS TO TEASERS

The following are the answers to the Teasers in Page Five:—
(1) Chestnut. (7) Dynamo.
(2) Malacca. (8) Tip.
(3) Guardian. (9) Clyde.
(4) Madrigal. (10) Macao.
(5) Cashmere. (11) Salisbury.
(6) Plymouth. (12) Machiavel-
lian.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

LEGAL ADVICE—"Regular Reader," please send history.
N.D. (Belton)—Yes.
A FRIEND—If girl and parents willing, yes.
REGULAR READER—Request do not know of appropriate mentioned.

After years of misery from STOMACH TROUBLE



The proof of actual experience

This letter from Mr. E. H. H., of West Bromwich, tells so well of the happy change that Maclean Brand Stomach Powder brings in a stomach sufferer's life:

"For 10 years I was suffering from chronic gastric trouble," writes Mr. E. H. H. "Life was nothing but misery through pain, and fear of eating even enough to keep myself alive."

"I could not do my work and eventually lost my job. I thought myself a hopeless case. However, I decided to give Maclean Brand Stomach Powder a trial. Now I eat whatever I fancy, and have never lost a day's work since, which is over three years now."

"I spent pounds on other remedies, but my experience is that no substitute is as good, and I am very thankful to Maclean Brand Stomach Powder for being able to enjoy life after years of misery."

You can have the same quick relief

Get a bottle of Maclean Brand Stomach Powder to-day. Even the first few doses will show you that the burden of your suffering will surely disappear. Be quite certain that you get MACLEAN BRAND Stomach Powder, which is only genuine with the signature

Alex. C. Maclean

on bottle and carton. Sold only in 1/3, 2/- and 5/- bottles, Powder or Tablets, and handy 6d. tin of Tablets.

Only those who, like the writer of the letter published here, have suffered the misery of years of stomach pains can fully appreciate the joyous relief when the last trace of the trouble has been swept away. Stomach sufferers can get this relief through a simple yet effective remedy. The testimony of thousands whose stomach trouble has been banished by Maclean Brand Stomach Powder confirms the safety, gentleness, and lasting effect of this famous remedy.

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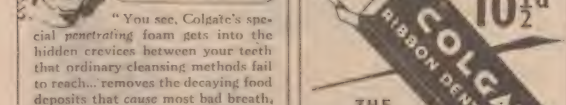
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"Man o' the People" writes on— "THINGS THAT MATTER TO YOU AND ME"



THIS is the
age of Big
Money.
Banking, Budgets
and Big Business—
we can see them all,
like Tony Weller's old women, drink-
ing tea at the Brick Lane Branch of
the Grand Junction Ebenezer Tem-
perance Association, "swelling wisely
before our very eyes." Following the
example of the frog in the fable, the
Golden Calf keeps blowing itself out
to look like a bull. And pessimists de-
clare, as they have always done, that
"nowadays people will do anything for
money."

More than a hundred years ago—in
1802 to be precise—Wordsworth wrote,
in bitter mood:

"The wealthiest man among us is
the best:
No grandeur now in Nature or in
Delights us: Rapine, avarice,
expense,
This is idolatry and these we adore."

Human nature, one perceives, doesn't
change very much. On the other hand,
it is in the main kinder and better than
most of us are ready to admit.

MICHAEL MANNION, the out-
let-work Irishman, who picked
up two pound notes in Amersham High-
street the other day as he was walking
from one casual ward to the next, was
astonished to find himself "in the
news" simply because he took his find
to the nearest police station.

"Why is all this fuss being made?"
he asked a reporter later on. "I
thought whoever lost the money might
be wanting it. I am not the only
honest man on the road: there are
plenty of others."

Bravo, Michael: so there are! I'm
glad that Michael himself has been
given a job since then, but he was quite
right. We do make too much fuss
about "common honesty"—so much,
indeed, that anybody might think it
was far from common.

But They're Not
Called "Paupers" Now

LET us talk a little while about
money; about millionaires
and "paupers" (though they're not
called "paupers" now); about palaces
and prisons; and pay and pocket money.

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bet, if they happen to be that way in-
clined, or the jingle of a few coins saved
in a money box.

What business is it of ours what they
do with their pennies? How many well-
to-do people do you know who "get
more than they want"? Have you ever
found it difficult to know what you are
going to do with your two bob, or your
two thousand a year?

SOME readers may think that
the question of increasing the
Old Age Pension has been too often
discussed in this page, but I ask their
patience for one more allusion to it
now.

To meet the bare needs of the old
people is not all that matters. It is
not enough to supplement an official
pittance with public assistance. Surely
anyone with a little imagination and a
little human understanding must realise
the tremendous difference between the
tiny income one can live on and the
subsistence grant that seems bitter as
charity all the time.

The glorious privilege of being inde-
pendent—that's the difference. And it
is the most splendid of all the privileges
money can buy.

Ten More
Millionaires

BETTER times are coming soon.
Even the steady "Jeremiahs"
now admit, half reluctantly, that the
risk of war is diminishing and that
there are signs of business revival.
Moreover, the latest unemployment
figures show a drop of 142,000 in the
workless total.

Your old friend, who has "banked"
on peace all along and never lost con-
fidence in this country's grand rallying
power, shares the general optimism, but
he does not believe that a nation's pros-
perity can be measured in terms of
money and armaments alone.

And so it left him distinctly cold to
read last week that Britain has some
4,000 more surtax payers—people with
incomes of more than £2,000 a year—
and another 10 millionaires.

Ten more millionaires! So what?
One newspaper correspondent actually
argued from these figures that "the
people of Britain are becoming
wealthier. The great have meant 'the
best people' having in mind the line
already quoted: 'The wealthiest man
among us is the best.'"

THERE is no reason to envy
millionaires as such. One of
them, Charles Frothingham Leland, of
Boston, N.Y., shot himself last week,
poor chap, because he had been haunted
for the greater part of seventy-two
years by fear of illness.

Others are haunted by the spectre of
poverty; still others "haven't a friend
in the world" because they can't believe
anybody can be fond of them for their
own sakes—and they ought to know.

And many more contrive to live hap-
pily in spite of their money, though
they are nearly worked to death in
giving it away.

There is, quite seriously, a good deal
to be said for living millionaires, because
their philanthropies are enormous, and

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men like Lord Nuffield often promote
noble causes which could hope but little
from any Government.

The fact remains, however, that an
increase in the number of very rich
men does not imply an increase in the
people's wealth. Indeed, it might imply
the exact opposite if their great fortunes
were not frequently "carved up" by
death and taxation.

And so the real significance of the
returns just issued by the Commis-
sioners of Inland Revenue is to be
found, not in the longer list of million-
aires and surtax payers, but in the sur-
prising fact that receipts from death
duties are falling instead of rising.

High Cost Of Dying
Is Not High Enough

"SOAK the rich!" naturally
became a popular slogan
among the American poor. As a "plain
business proposition" it doesn't work
out very well in practice, because if
you "soak" them too much they are
apt to close down their businesses, and
employment suffers, and the answer's
a squeezed lemon.

But the dead millionaire ought to be
"soaked." Death duties are not a bit
too high. On the contrary, the maxi-
mum levies should be increased and
every loophole for evasion blocked.

Beyond question there is a great deal
of tax-dodging to-day. All sorts of legal
devices are being used to evade or
reduce the amount of death duty which
a big estate ought properly to pay.

And since Big Money always comes
out of the public pocket in the first
instance, most of it, seeing that there
are no pockets in a shroud, should go
back to the public at the last.

JUST as dead millionaires ought
to be "worth" less, so dead
workers ought to be worth more. And,
in one sense, they are.

In a White Paper issued last week
it was stated that the average compensa-
tion paid for fatal accidents at work (or
death through occupational diseases)
has increased from £150 in 1913 to
£222 in 1923 (just before the introduc-
tion of the Workmen's Compensation
Act) and to £282 in 1937, the last year
for which statistics are available.

This is good news so far as it goes.
Nowadays we do at least recognise that

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employers are responsible for the work-
ing risks their men have to run.

But, having regard to the increased
cost of living and the immense wealth
of the country, it still seems strange,
to this writer at least, that the value of
a working life is held to be rather less
than the value of a medium-priced car.

"Palaces"
And Prisons

NOW we come to the last item
on to-day's agenda: palaces
and prisons. Both are public monu-
ments in the world of Big Money. "The
rich man in his castle; the poor man
at his gate" are agreed that the rascal
who has no respect for property at
all should be "safely bestowed in
durance vile."

So, no doubt, he should, but I am
glad that we have a Home Secretary
to-day who wishes to humanise our
prison system and make it of less vile
endurance.

Sir Samuel Hoare's latest experiment
in this direction is to be a "garden
suburb" jail for women. He has told
Parliament that a new prison, unlike
anything before it, is to be built for
women prisoners from Holloway and
Borstal girls for Aylesbury.

It will take the form of semi-
detached houses set among trees and
hedges. There will be no grim, grey
walls to stare at. It will be a prison
still, but it won't look like one.

SOME of you may say: "What
difference does the look of a
place make?" And some of you most
certainly will say that there is too much
"pampering of prisoners as it is," and
that it's a lot of nonsense to waste
money on criminals.

But is it waste? Doesn't that depend
entirely upon what we mean by crime
and what we hope to effect by "punish-
ment"? Apart from sentiment alto-
gether, it is surely obvious that prisons,
if they are ever to give us "value for
money," must become hospitals for
crime.

In other words, it pays to reform
criminals: it is a dead loss to keep them
indefinitely as "enemies of society."

A Man o' the People

By The Lounger

DAFFODIL SONG

I've written a few nasty cracks about the
spring in my time, and I've often main-
tained that as a season it was never all it
was cracked up to be. But I'm willing to
admit that every spring there is one thing
that always comes up to schedule.

I am seldom sentimental
About the joys of spring;
I've a horror of spring cleaning
And all sort of things.
I am sure to lose my money
On the Lincoln Handicap.
But there's one delight of springtime
That will always cheer a chap.

Chorus:
The coming of the spring is a curious
kind of thing,
But one part never fails to hold a thrill;
However dark the winter's been, with fog
and sleet and snow,
The daffodil stands bravely up, in
splendour all aglow;
It seems to say: "The winter's gone, so
now, folks, cheerio!"
The beautiful and cheerful daffodil.

I'll perhaps have influenza,
Which will grip me with its spell;
I may miss the Semi-Finals
And the National as well.
If I venture far the weather
May just drench me to the skin,
But I'll never be put out, lads,
If the daffodils are in!

Chorus:
The coming of the spring some awkward
things may bring,
Like the doctor's or the decorator's bill,
But the daffodil's blooming and the
whole round world should know it.
It can do its job far better than an author
or a poet;
It has a trumpet of its own, but doesn't
need to blow it!
The beautiful and modest daffodil.

To See The King— En Masse

CANADA is a-quiver with first stir-
rings of a mass movement of
humanity. Ripples will grow into
huge waves as people flock from all
corners of vast Dominion to see and
welcome the King and Queen in May.
Ottawa hotels are booked up, and at
every big city on the Royal route car
parks and tourist camps are being built
to deal with overflow crowds.

From plains and foothills, gold
mines, lumber camps, mountain pas-
sages and forest depths the wanderers
will come by road, rail, water and air.
Ottawa expects 250,000 invaders, Win-
nipeg 200,000 and Calgary 150,000.
Even the rich annals of British
monarchy will have nothing compar-
able to this overwhelming display of
loyalty.

Speed-up

TOTALITARIAN States find prob-
lem of raw material a grave one.
Japan launching gigantic three-year
plan of industrial expansion hopes to
be independent of foreign sources.

"JUST GIVE THINGS TIME"

SUCH little things disturb us when we're weary, an extra task, a
friend's short-cancelled date; something mislaid, an unexpected
caller, a high wind swinging to and fro a gate.
A rumour or an unkind word in passing, such things sweep Life with
jagged shadowed wings; for when we're weary we don't see Life's Logic,
our hearts are too torn by the fear of things.

Such little things disturb us when we're lonely, the commonplace takes
on a strange disguise; and things that other times we wouldn't notice,
will bring hot tears into our nerve-tired eyes.

And so Life seems full of unshaped disasters, when all our nerves to
breaking-point are strained; then suddenly the fear of things falls from
us, and once again our normal strength is gained.
So don't despair if you are weak and helpless, from worry, or from
illness, or from fears. Nature has such wonderful adjustments, so just
keep faith and give things time, my dears.
J. M.

Iron and steel output is scheduled to
be doubled, and production in other
industries increased from 30 to 400 per
cent.

Reliability of modern road transport
is reflected in fact that London buses
are almost completely free from puncture
trouble. Stops due to this fault
average 1.39 in every 100,000 miles run.
One reason is that tyres are cared for
by firm of specialists, whose experts even
supervise air pressure routine.

Money Bags

IT'S easier—they say—to be a million-
aire to-day than it was in pre-war
days. People with incomes of £24,000
or more a year—basis on which mil-
lionaires are reckoned—numbered, in
1936-37, 539. In 1912-13 they totalled
312. War profits made many men of
millions. In 1919-20 there were 794 of
them—ironic sum of pendulum
which brought tragedy and suffering
to millions.

Germany's back to land campaign
has failed. In last five years number of
agricultural workers has decreased by
160,000. But during the same period in-
dustry generally and handicrafts ab-
sorbed nearly 4,000,000 more people.

British wearing apparel is a sign the
world over of well-dressed men and
women. Little known facts about our
trade overseas are that last year we ex-
ported nearly 11,000,000 hats and caps,
nearly 2,000,000 pairs of gloves, 5,880,000
ties, and 60,000 dozen pairs of pyjamas.

Lightning

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punch 8 miles an hour faster.

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For the past three weeks bank officials, scrutinising receipts from dog and race tracks, have been removing paper money, so admirably counterfeited as to deceive the most cautious operators of the tote.

Even to the expert eye these fakes present no obvious flaw, but under "Black Light" Scotland Yard chemists saw they did not match the real thing, detected a difference in the fluorescence of the paper used in the spurious notes.

JUST A TRY-OUT

Then the "Forgery Squad" got busy, and found that the run on the fakes was just a try-out, before starting the wholesale dumping of the masterpieces on shopkeepers and tradespeople in London, Manchester, Birmingham and the other big towns.

Although they are confident of picking up the English agents and "droppers" of the forgery syndicate, the Yard fear that the master-hand, who takes such a pride in his work, is far beyond their reach.

All that is known of this super-criminal is that he runs his forgery factory and controls his dupes from a hide-out on the outskirts of Paris.

For ten years the police of five countries have been trying to track down the craftsman who copies their currency with impunity.

He has made counterfeiting a fine art. His instruments—cameras, plates, printing press—are of the finest, his expert craftsmen are said to be skilled engravers tempted from the mints of foreign governments.

This origin may be doubted, but their skill is unquestioned. False passports, marriage certificates, bankers' orders, letters of credit have all emerged from this forger's den, in a state of perfection that refutes the old theory that every counterfeit can be discovered.

LEAVES NO CLUES

Printing first to swindle refugees and currency holders. Forger No. 1 took an artist's pride in the fact that his work escaped detection, and began to look for wider fields on which to exercise his talent.

His plot to flood England was the result, and although the plot was foiled, the master-mind possesses a cunning that erases all clues likely to lead to his door.

A WORKERS'
HOME BEST
FOR CHILDREN

THE WORST HOME FOR A CHILD IS A FLAT. THE BEST IS A WORKING-CLASS HOME.

Miss Browne-Smith, former H.M. Inspector of Schools, said so at a conference held at Ealing yesterday by the local branch of the National Union of Teachers.

Flat life, she said, led to a great deal of quarrelling and meant that the child had no real rest.

The best home was a working-class home—a little house with a little garden. But it should be a home where there was no terrible strain of threatened unemployment.

The middle-class home was nearly always bad because the child was spoiled and over-attended.

WORLD'S FAIR STAMP

New York World's Fair will be commemorated by a special 3 cent. (19d) stamp which is to be on sale on April 1.

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

FUTURE QUEEN OF IRAN



The latest portrait of Princess Farouk, sister of King Farouk of Egypt, who is to be married to the Crown Prince of Iran in Cairo this week.

Foreign Employers:

T.U.C. Wants
Wage Inquiry

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

I LEARN THAT THE TRADES UNION CONGRESS IS ASKING THE GOVERNMENT TO INQUIRE INTO THE WAGES THAT ARE BEING PAID BY FOREIGN FIRMS THAT HAVE ESTABLISHED FACTORIES IN BRITAIN DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS.

More than four hundred of these firms have set up factories, and in many cases, so the T.U.C. alleges, they are paying wages that are below the recognised rates.

In some cases they are also working their employees longer hours than is usual.

The result is that British firms, paying the recognised union rates, are finding themselves undercut when it comes to disposing of their products.

The T.U.C. view is that the Government should not allow any foreign firm to set up a factory in Britain unless it signs an agreement stating that it will observe the customary rates of wages in the industry.

If that is done, the T.U.C. would welcome any number of foreign manufacturers here, especially those who are refugees from their own country.

But it is determined to resist any attempt by aliens to cut down the wage standards that have been built up in this country.

TOTE DAILY
TREBLE NOW!

THE Racecourse Betting Control Board, it is announced, is to introduce a daily treble on the Totalisator.

It is not expected that the "treble" will be started until after the flat-racing season has begun.

At present, the third and fifth are the scheduled races for the daily "double," and it is more than likely that the selected races for the treble will be the second, fourth and sixth.

The Racecourse Betting Control Board will give full details in an official statement to be issued soon.



Sea Scouts who have volunteered as coast watchers for a national emergency receiving some training on board Discovery, the Royal Research ship, off the Victoria Embankment.

World
Will
Listen

FIVE million people all over the world will listen-in to the Pope's Coronation. All B.B.C. regional transmitters will broadcast the ceremony from 8.45 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Sword, the Judges of the Rota, and many others will walk in this procession. A Chamberlain will carry the Triple Crown of the Pope.

The tiara is composed of three crowns set one upon the other and encrusted with 146 precious stones. There are 11 diamonds and six rows of pearls.

As the Pope proceeds towards the Altar three wisps of tow will be burned and the words will be uttered thrice: "Holy Father, thus passes the glory of the world." This serves to impress on the Pontiff that he is just a mere mortal.

NEW SECRETARY OF STATE

It was officially announced to-day that the Pope has appointed Cardinal Maglione, former Nuncio in Paris, to be Secretary of State for the Vatican City, the position formerly occupied by the new Pope as Cardinal Pacelli.

Cardinal Maglione, who thus becomes the controller of the temporal policy of the Vatican City State, is sixty-two, and an Italian.

He has the same birthday date as the new Pope, but is a year younger. His appointment is interpreted by Church authorities as being due to his able statesmanship.

74 MAROONED FREED

Berne, Saturday.

SEVENTY-FOUR officers and men of the Swiss Army, who, since Tuesday last, have been marooned in a hut on the Wildhorn (Bernese Oberland) owing to avalanches, this morning began the descent to La Lenk.

They brought with them the bodies of three men who were killed when the avalanche trapped them.

The search for the body of a fourth man has been resumed.

The danger of avalanches which prevented their earlier descent was obviated by the dispersal of the snows by trench-mortar fire.—Reuters.

Battle Rages In Madrid's Mayfair

PLANES GUN COMMUNISTS

MIAJA TROOPS
FIGHT TO
KEEP RADIO

A BITTER BATTLE WAS RAGING IN THE FASHIONABLE STREETS OF NORTH-EASTERN MADRID LAST NIGHT BETWEEN GENERAL MIAJA'S DEFENCE COUNCIL TROOPS AND THE COMMUNISTS.

The Communists were using machine-guns and trench-mortars, while Defence Council warplanes have machine-gunned the streets.

Tanks of both sides have been charging in the Calle de Alcalá, Madrid's Piccadilly.

But the most determined struggle of all was that which was waged throughout the day for possession of the radio station.

S.O.S. FOR TANKS

Last night it was still in Republican hands and unless the Communists can capture it, however successful they are, only the Defence Council version of the fighting can get out over the air.

At the moment they are using field wireless sets to broadcast to the militia to join in with them against the Army chiefs.

The Defence Council's principal claim over the air yesterday was the capture, after a terrific artillery bombardment, of the Communist Party headquarters.

In the midst of the bombardment the Communists put through a desperate

Tyranny of
Women's Tears

GREATEST DISASTER IN THE WORLD IS WOMAN'S ABILITY TO WEEP, SAYS RANKO TODOROVITCH, JUGO-SLAV AUTHOR AND "WOMAN-HATER" OF BELGRADE.

Women, he says, use their talent for weeping whenever they please, as their strongest weapon to compete against men in professional life.

History proves that more women have betrayed men than men have betrayed women, he claims.

Strangely enough, Todorovitch is married. His wife, however, is reputed to share his views.

Todorovitch's book, in which he demands the withdrawal of women from professional work and their return to the home, has become a best-seller in Jugo-Slavia.

telephone call for several tanks as reinforcements.

They were unable to reach the building and the Communists, it is stated, later surrendered unconditionally.

FRANCO MOVES

The Republicans claim also to have recaptured the Plaza de la Independencia, important railway centre at the north-western corner of the Retiro Park, and the Calle de Alcalá.

This last claim is the Defence Council's first admission that the Communists had come so close to mastering the centre of Madrid.

News from other sources credits the Communists with capture of the Secret Police headquarters, the Maternity Hospital, and the building of the "A.B.C." newspaper—the "Times" of Madrid.

Meanwhile General Franco yesterday morning launched what appeared to be a "trial attack" on the Republican lines outside Madrid.

Apparently his commanders found the resistance still too stiff for them, for after three hours of sharp firing the attack died down without any change in positions.

(Reuters and B.U.P. messages.)

GERMAN PROTEST TO JAPAN

A protest against the Japanese seizure of German-operated cotton mills has been lodged by the German Consul-General in Shanghai with the Japanese authorities.—Reuters.

50,000 Tenants
Threaten Rent Strike

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

THE GOVERNMENT IS WATCHING CLOSELY A SITUATION THAT IS DEVELOPING IN BIRMINGHAM OVER THE IMPOSITION OF A MEANS TEST ON MUNICIPAL TENANTS.

Individual councils have been given authority to apply the test and to introduce a graduated scale of rents according to incomes.

In some areas the plan has been worked successfully. Some tenants, with comfortable incomes, have had their rents increased, while others, below the standard, have had them reduced.

But in Birmingham it was decided to raise the rents of all council houses by 1s. to 2s. 6d. a week, and then to carry out a Means Test to decide which tenants would be entitled to a rebate.

About 50,000 tenants are concerned, and each one of the estates has set up a committee pledged to resist the Means Test and rent increase.

They are refusing to fill up the forms, and on May 1, when the increased rent is supposed to come into operation, they will all refuse to pay a penny of rent if the scheme has not been withdrawn.

ARAB BOYS
ORDERED TO
BE BIRCHED

Jerusalem, Saturday.

FOR the first time to-day the Military Court here passed sentences of whipping on two Arab boys aged fourteen and twelve.

The elder will receive 12 and the younger six strokes of the birch for carrying revolvers. The fourteen-year-old boy was also sent to prison for five years.

A third Arab, aged nineteen, was sentenced to death for firing at a Jewish constable.

HONOURING BRITONS

Berlin, Saturday.

IN 26 British war grave cemeteries throughout Germany, wreaths will be laid to-morrow by the German War Graves Commission.

This annual ceremony takes place on Germany's "National Heroes Day," which commemorates her own fallen.

The largest of the British cemeteries, established by the Imperial War Graves

INSURANCE CLAIM
OF £500 BLACKCOATS

From Our Own Correspondent

Manchester, Saturday.

A £500 income limit for unemployment insurance and health and pensions insurance for non-manual workers, instead of the present limit of £250, was demanded by a regional conference of the National Federation of Professional Workers at Manchester yesterday.

Mr. S. W. Smith, general secretary, said that the Unemployment Insurance Statutory Committee reported in 1936 that they were convinced that the case for raising the salary limit was proved beyond dispute. There was absolutely no case for further postponement.

He suggested that an overwhelming demand from the country, such as the Government got from the farmers, would get home.

Commission, are at Berlin, Cologne, Cassel and Hamburg. In the Berlin cemetery at Stahnsdorf, rest 1,172 soldiers, sailors, marines and merchant seamen from all parts of the British Empire.

Tablets on the walls record, in English and in German, that the land has been acquired in perpetuity by agreement with the German people.

The main German ceremony to-morrow in the State Opera House will be attended by Herr Hitler.—Exchange.

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Weary?

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CORRECTION

In Oxendale's Birthday Bargain offer, which appeared in last Sunday's issue, the establishment year should have been 1859, not 1879, as printed.

Charlie, Ex-Sleuth, Is Now Friend of the Needy

JAILED FOR CRUELTY TO HIS HORSE

EDWARD JOHN FARROW, a sixty-eight-year-old Langham, Essex, greengrocer, was sent to prison for a month for cruelty to a horse at the Lixden (Colchester) Police Court yesterday.

It was alleged that Farrow, who had twice previously been fined for cruelty to animals, had a 22-year-old horse which was so weak that it could only raise its head.

In an attempt to make it get up, Farrow was said to have hit the horse with a block of wood, prodded it with a fork, jabbed it with a saw and then kicked it.

MORE STARS FOR CABARET AT BALL

More attractions have been enlisted for the Cabaret interlude in the great spectacular Ball at the Albert Hall on Monday, March 20, in aid of the News-vendors' Benevolent Fund.

Miss Gracie Fields had already promised to appear, and Mr. George Black has given permission for the appearance of Ken Davidson and Hugh Forgie, and Manley and Austin, from "These Foolish Things" at the Palladium.

Tickets for the Ball may be obtained from J. A. Hart, Memorial Hall Buildings, Farringdon-st., E.C., and from the usual theatre agencies.

SUNDAY TRAINS OFF

The L.N.E.R. announces that on Sundays until April 30 (except Easter Sunday) the train service between Ilford and Newbury Park will be cancelled on account of engineering works. A special service of buses will run.

Hesitation Waltz (New Style)



★
Their spirits
are willing, but
as these early
bathers on the
South Coast
discovered, the
water's cold.
★

Britain's "Loneliest Man"

HE'S LONELY NO LONGER!

A MAN WHO HAD DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS "THE LONELIEST MAN IN ENGLAND" BEFORE HIS ARRIVAL AT SYDNEY, N.S.W., RENOUNCED THE TITLE WHEN HE MET HIS NIECE, WHOM HE HAD NEVER SEEN BEFORE.

He is Mr. Arthur Foalstone, aged eighty-two, who was once a singer and comedian at Brighton.

During the voyage from London he entertained the passengers of the Largs Bay with old-time songs.

He said he left England because there was no one of his own blood living there. Mr. Foalstone has been corresponding with his niece for 25 years, and arranged that when the Largs Bay reached Sydney they would both wave green handkerchiefs.

"Until to-day I was just a lonely old man," he said on arrival. "When I saw a green handkerchief waving to me from the Sydney wharf it gave me a funny feeling because I knew that the girl waving it was the niece I had never seen."

"She is the only other person in the world with a trace of Foalstone blood—the daughter of my half-brother. That's why I travelled to Australia. I am going to live with her."—Reuter.



JOLLY JACK—ARTIST

Stoker J. Southgate, expert caricaturist, who has done some fine work of Admirals and film stars, turns some young admirers into models.

OLD COMRADES AND A.R.P. London branch of the Old Coldstreamers' Association is making a special appeal to members to answer the National Service call.

It is proposed to form a Coldstream unit—A.R.P. police reserve, balloon barrage, special constabulary—and applications should be sent to the Hon. Sec., Mr. C. P. Simpson, 46, Whitcomb-st., London, W.C.2.

HINTS TO INVESTORS

CHANCES IN TEXTILES

By OUR CITY EDITOR, "SCRUTINEER"

THERE now seems every possibility of the Government adopting a sympathetic attitude to all Britain's staple industries.

Already much has been done for steel—sufficient, indeed, to put that industry on a firm footing once again—while a certain amount has been done for coal, cotton, wool and shipping, however.

have hitherto been left out in the cold, so to speak. They have been struggling against great odds ever since the war.

Other countries looking upon the great wealth which these industries have brought to Britain have coveted them.

Gradually by unfair means, including heavy Government subsidies, the employment of cheap labour, and the acquisition of ideas, they have obtained a much greater proportion of the market for these goods and services.

Financially, cotton is just about on its last legs, although still one of our largest exporting industries. Although exports are still large, the industry is not making much profit, and workers' wages are low.

The above list comprises a number of the best-known and the most successful firms in the textile industries. All of them are regular dividend payers.

In a further list I give a further selection of dividend payers about which, however, there is a little more speculation.

Amalgamated Cotton is ordinary shares, on which a dividend of 8½ per cent. tax free can be expected, and is bought at 1s. 9d. to give a gross yield of about 7 per cent. Joshua Hoyle 2s. shares can be bought at about the same price, and assuming that 5 per cent. is paid, the yield would be about 5½ per cent. British Cotton and Wool 10s. shares are around 3s. 10d. In this case a 3 per cent. dividend can be expected, and a return of 4½ per cent.

Owing to the difficult international situation, Mr. J. Wilcock Holgate did not

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

FORMERLY, HE REGARDED MOST LOITERERS AND APPARENT DOWN-AND-OUTS WITH A CERTAIN DEGREE OF SUSPICION, BUT NOW EX-INSPECTOR CHARLES TAYLOR, OF SCOTLAND YARD, FEEDS THEM.

Wielding a giant spoon, he nightly ladles out soup to the foodless and homeless at St. Peter's Kitchen, Garrick-st., London W.

No hungry person is ever turned away from the kitchen; and, during the last five years, more than half a million people have enjoyed meals of soup, beef, rolls and butter, tea, bread and jam—with cigarette to follow.

No wonder St. Peter's attracts 400 people each night, and no wonder the soup server is one of the most popular figures there.

Charlie reads human nature like a book. His hands may be busy with the ladles, but his policeman eyes are searching for the pink skin of youth underneath the grime of the road.

HE AIDS THE WILLING

If a likely-looking youngster is willing to work, Charlie may not only find him a job, but provide him with a suit, and board him for a week till his first wages come in.

Nor does he forget those whose needs may be more urgent than mere hunger.

Upside at the kitchen is the hospital, where two nurses attend to cuts, boils and black eyes and minister to bruised and swollen feet.

A chiropodist stands by. His services are free to tramps.

His scissors trim ingrown toenails, remove callouses, corns and bunions expertly.

I moved freely among the "guests" yesterday, talking to many who have tramped from Wales and Scotland searching for work.

An ex-tutor, with seven languages, was among them. There was a pavement artist, a skill that suggested a prosperous past, and an ex-Army officer.

He admitted that he had failed miserably in everything. For years he lived on his relatives till their patience was exhausted and he was told to go.

ROMANTIC START

"Romance?" Charlie told me. "This place is full of romance. There's a delightful story even in the way it started."

Mayfair hostess, Mrs. Adrienne Scott Dorrien, sent her chauffeur on ahead, and decided to walk home one night.

She tripped over the legs of a down-and-out, asleep in a doorway.

The man jumped up full of apologies and helped her to her feet.

The Society woman was struck by his cultured tones, and listened to his story. He had been ruined in a financial crash.

There, and then she vowed there should be food at least for the homeless and needy, and St. Peter's Kitchen was founded.

Other Society hostesses lent their aid. To-day the President of the Kitchen is the Countess of Oxford and Asquith.

SPINSTERS' GREETINGS TO PREMIER

—With a New

Umbrella!

SATURDAY is Mr. Chamberlain's seventieth birthday, and on that day nearly 3,000 spinsters, meeting at Birmingham, will send the Prime Minister greetings—and a new umbrella!

The well-wishers—members of the National Spinsters' Pensions Association, whose headquarters are at Scholemore-lane, Lidsa Green, Bradford—will be attending a monster Midland rally.

Contingents from branches in Yorkshire, Lancashire, Midlands, the West, London and the South will be present.

Each contingent, headed by its branch banner, will march from the station to the Town Hall, where the rally is to be held.

Among the speakers who will plead the spinsters' cause are Miss Isabel Forsyth, national chairman; Sir Patrick Hannon, M.P.; Mr. Arthur Henderson, M.P.; Sir John Smedley Crooke, M.P.; and Wing-Commander J. A. C. Wright, M.P.

FROM AETAR TO THEATRE An hour after his wedding yesterday afternoon Mr. Ralph Hutton, a Bristol actor, was back in his dressing-room at Bristol Little Theatre making up for a matinee performance.

"This does not appear to be a time," he said, "when the past can be regarded as affording a reliable index of the future; and I would not add my profound conviction that the crying need in trade and industry to-day is the disappearance of the prevailing atmosphere of uncertainty and recurrent crises."

Refuge total premium income for the year amounted to £10,000,001, an increase of £204,508.

There is strong reason for the belief that the Government will shortly do something for shipping. Some of the low-price tramp and cargo line shares might be worth picking up in advance.

Calm Line 10s. shares at 4s.; Coast Line £1 shares at 10s. 3d.; France Fenwick £1 shares at 25s.; Furness Withy at 20s.; and Liverpool and Holt Line 6s. 8d. shares at 6s. 9d. might all well be worth looking away.

One of the greatest aims of the investment department of a great insurance undertaking is to keep its money liquid in order to meet all its claims promptly.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Prudential Assurance Company on Thursday, Sir Edgar Horne said that during the past year the company had used a substantial proportion of its available funds in making short-term loans.

It may surprise many to realise that the Prudential is quite a big property organisation as well as an insurance company. It owns, at a conservative valuation, about £25,000,000 of property.

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HONEYMOON

for ONE
By GINA DAYE

"I'd like to take the holiday," said Fayre to Tony, "but...well, this has made it all different. I shouldn't feel the same about it."

Her eyes darkened and she raised her head a little so that from his position on the seat beneath her perch he could see the delicate lovely modelling of her throat and the shape of her chin from underneath.

"Why not?"

"I should know you were just being kind. You might be thinking me a dreadful nuisance really and all virtuous about spoiling my precious two weeks."

"What will you do otherwise?"

"I don't know. Go to picture galleries and museums, improve my mind."

"Haven't you any relations?"

"No, and you are asking me a lot of questions."

"I want to learn all I can. That's why I read the 'Times' for a whole hour on your doorstep."

"I'm not interested in telling you." He got up. "The fact of the matter is you want a cup of tea, a bath, and a run round your flat before you feel settled in your mind. I shall call to take you out to dinner at eight."

"I shall not." He had gone to the door and waved a hand.

"You will. I'll be here at eight." The front door slammed. Fayre did not move.

She hated Tony Myron. She remained motionless, staring at the blue sky,

which somehow made her think of his eyes. They were very bright blue, and his hair fair and shining, his skin tanned the brown that is too deep to wear off. He was over six feet, she went on thinking, hardly knowing that her mind was considering him at all.

Dinner at eight. She felt angry, disappointed and tired. She did want tea and a bath after the wretched journey.

While still all pink and warm from it a telegram came from Marjorie.

"Dreadfully sorry. Just like Greg—Marjorie."

In Paris Marjorie was thinking, while her fingers were being exquisitely manicured:

"If I had only known Tony was in London..."

"I do not want to dine with you."

"Lots of women are charitable and perform acts of mercy while inwardly loathing it."

"I'm not charitable," Fayre thumped a cushion on the settee while Tony, sitting in the corner at the opposite end, regarded her gravely.

Dress clothes became him. He was one of those men who could look as though they were as comfortable in them as in an old tweed. His blue eyes appeared brighter in contrast to the



Fayre chose a simple black frock.

READ THIS FIRST

FAYRE DENMERE, private secretary to a London lawyer, accepted her friend MARJORIE ISALA'S offer to use the M.Y. Nafrai moored in an Essex estuary, on which to spend her summer holiday. But through a misunderstanding Marjorie's husband GREGORY it appeared had also lent the boat to a young man named TONY MYRON, who thus came unexpectedly aboard soon after Fayre. Each at once felt the other's attraction. The dinghy having drifted away, Tony swims ashore in order to have Fayre from gossiping scandal-mongers. The next day she learns that Greg has not lent but sold the boat. Continuing Marjorie's address, Tony asks her to finish her holiday as planned.

the light was controlled and the magic of the moment was dispelled.

Into his car, where its luxury made Fayre silent. He must be very rich. Probably he thought it amusing to take out a secretary. Her eyes grew rebellious. And suddenly he looked down at her when the traffic lights went red and they had to pause.

"You know you are still angry about last evening and this morning. I know how you feel. Irritable inside."

She smiled. "I do. But you can't imagine what it is like to have only two weeks' holiday in a whole year."

"I might have a vivid imagination."

At Quadano's he had a table with a complete view of the room. He chose marvellous wine and food, talking easily, while Fayre revelled in the excitement of a restaurant where the cost of a single item on the menu would have provided her lunches for a week. As they took dessert he said suddenly: "I'm not so bad."

COMPLIMENT

"How do you know everything I am thinking about?"

"Judge of character." He looked across at her over the bowl of flowers thinking that he loved her. "May I pay you compliments? You are the most beautiful creature I have ever seen."

Fayre did not answer. She was glad. She wanted to be lovely. But she had never dared hope that a tenth part of what the mirror told her was true, or could be true. She was young. She knew she was eager for life, but loving hadn't come into it yet. It was ahead of her, and being beautiful was opening a door to it, and this was the first time anyone, older than herself, had ever said so. Boys of her childhood, who had grown up, tried to make love to her and paid her clumsy compliments, but Tony Myron was different. He had that intangible air of belonging to the world apart from the one she knew, bounded by cold sea and winds and fog. He had talked of "tropical seas," and the words stuck in her mind as though he had burnt them there.

"Did you mind that?" he asked as she did not reply, and then she shook her head.

"No, I liked it."

"Good. We're getting on gradually. What shall we do after this? Dance somewhere? Five Thousand is rather nice."

"I've never been there." She did not add that the most expensive of social playgrounds was not within her orbit. It was exciting! They danced together as though they had done so all their lives. Then he said suddenly: "It's a nice world."

As they turned back to their table her mind was turning somersaults.

"Yes, sometimes. It's time we went home; nearly everyone is going."

"Yes, I must take you back." They went out into the streets empty of all traffic but cars. She nestled back against the cushions, her eyes still bright from the dance, the rhythm of the music in her ears, and the memory of how it felt to be held by someone very strong and tall and handsome. She sighed and he heard it.

BLUSHES

The world was at its worst. The two weeks stretched ahead in a desolate vista. Nothing to do, no will to go anywhere; fresh with holiday clothes designed for the cruiser and not for walking along a promenade in an autumn gale.

Tony got up and came beside her. He was serious now.

"Yes, if you really want me to, I'm not such a conceited fool as you think me." He saw the colour creep into the magnolia tinted skin and he nodded. "That is your opinion. Only I'm lonely and I'd be so grateful if you would dine with me. We met in a queer way and that should have swept away months and years of getting to know each other. Please."

Fayre returned his steady gaze for a minute and then one hand fidgeted nervously with her brooch.

"I didn't think you conceited and..."

"I change."

She almost ran from the room into her bedroom. She began to pull off her clothes until they were reduced to a brassiere. She turned her small chest of drawers upside down for evening undies, and then at last, breathless, her eyes bright with hurrying, she peered into the narrow, long mirror to see herself for the last time before going to Tony.

It was a simple frock, layers of black net with one clip on her shoulder, a long tailored coat of black velvet and a tiny bag to match. She had spent a lot on the outfit, but it became her. She looked ridiculously young, very supple, her skin fairer than ever against the rich, mirrored sable tones of the velvet collar. She thought desperately!

"I suppose I did want to dine with him...and...I've behaved like a baby."

Fayre went quickly to the sitting-room where Tony was standing staring at the door as though he dared not miss a second of her coming, or a flash of her loveliness when she did.

"I'm ready," she smiled. After all it was late.

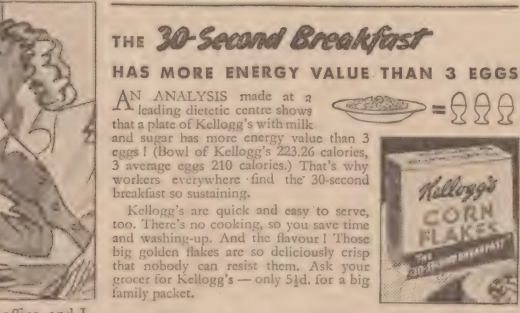
"Ow d'yer like me new 'at?"



1. "Ere's 'ow I come to get it: I do for the Cravens in Mill Road, and yesterday mornin' when I got to the 'ouse, punctual like, at 'arf past nine, there was Mrs. Craven sittin' on the stairs cryin' fit to break 'er 'cart. Seems she'd 'ad words with Mr. Craven. Swore at 'er, 'e 'ad, because the breakfast was late again."



2. "Now, mum," I sez, "don't take it to 'cart. Everything will be as right as rain to-morrer, you mark my words." "Ow do you mean?" says Mrs. C. "I mean," I sez, "I'm off to buy Mr. Craven a grand breakfast for to-morrer mornin'—somethin' that takes only 30 seconds to serve."



3. "And so I was back with Kellogg's—you know, the 30-second breakfast wot everybody's talkin' about. She sez, 'But that won't keep 'im goin' till 'e 'as 'is lunch at 1 o'clock!' 'Indeed it will,' I sez. 'A bowlful of Kellogg's with milk and sugar 'as got as much energy value as three eggs. Wot's more, there won't be no messy pots to wash up.'"

4. "Next mornin' I got there early like—before Mr. Craven 'ad gone to 'is office, and I over'ard 'im say to Mrs. Craven, 'They're simply marvellous, my dear,' 'e sez. 'So wonderfully crisp.' And she sez, 'Mrs. Muggidge suggested them—went out specially to get them.' Then 'er lummy if 'e didn't reach in 'is pocket, pull out a ten-bob note and say, 'Tell Mrs. Muggidge she deserves a new 'at!'"

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Mrs. Coleman, a Notts sufferer, had to be taken to Hospital. "For seven years I have suffered from Lumbago," she says, "so I know what I am writing about. I have been to a famous Spa and been treated in Hospital. Five months ago my doctor sent me to Hospital again with another bad attack." And still the trouble returned.

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Edward Lyndoe Tells You—

HOW YOU CAN PLAN WITH THE PLANETS

IT IS NOW EVIDENT ENOUGH THAT THIS COLUMN WAS CORRECT WHEN IT INFORMED YOU THAT MUSSOLINI WOULD FIND SOME ACCOMMODATION WITH FRANCE OVER HIS COLONIAL DEMANDS.

A novel and extremely interesting turn in the situation takes place in the next days, and satisfactorily settles the safety of France's prestige and possessions.

Coming weeks will be enlivened by the anger of both Germany and Italy at the totally unexpected measure of co-operation between this country and France. Backed by President Roosevelt, the British Government will lay down undertakings of a magnitude scarcely visualised by the most optimistic among us.

A considerable amount of sabre-rattling will be put up in Central Europe, but it will scarcely cause a ripple this time on the surface of international affairs.

Further news concerning a Nazi leader will bring conclusive proof of my months-old prediction of a break-up in the Nazi hierarchy.

In fact, the programme laid down by the Fuehrer in the next two or three months is going to be seriously dislocated by a rift which will appear right across his immediate following. This will not be assisted by events round about mid-year, when an entire section of the populace becomes more vociferous than is usual in dictatorships.

I am asked what significance can be attached to the present contacts between Poland and Great Britain, and the reply is that, precisely as was forecast here some months ago, Poland is going to maintain her traditional link-up with France, and will seek to extend it to this country on more permanent lines.

A word here to readers who press me for further assurances regarding the general situation. I maintain now just as I did in the teeth of a

SIGNS OF THE WEEK

gale of criticism some time ago, that the only end of the Premier's policy will be a dowsing of the dictators' ambitions for at least a couple of decades.

Spain moves towards the bitter stalemate I forecast when the war opened. Readers ask me, "What now?" My reply is that the various factions on both sides will be occupied in disposing of one another.

It is my considered judgment that some of the troops will literally have to fight their way out of Spain, with international repercussions in consequence. These will not go to the length of causing world war.

I have been asked specially to state whether I am able to name Government ministries here which are liable to changes as stated a week or two ago.

Yes. In my view, both the War and Labour ministries appear to be affected in the chart from which I gathered my information.

Some time ago I hinted at monarchical difficulties in Bulgaria, and it is now time to point out that these come to a head shortly. It looks as if there might be a quite serious situation there, and that this may lead to one of the royal changes hinted at in my New Year forecast.

Belgium was also indicated as undergoing difficulties. Replying to readers resident in Belgium, I am obliged to say that the whole trend in my charts is towards a severe crisis.

South Africa will be in the news soon with two important items. The first regarding a political crisis of the first magnitude with a strong probability of Government changes. The second is the passing from of the most important and popular South Africans of the day.

The general weather outlook this week is fairly optimistic, but though it will be reasonably fine in most places, temperatures will be rather low with quite a good deal of ground frost at night.



GENERAL HERTZOG

the scene of one of the most important and popular South Africans of the day.

BRIEF BIRTHDAY INDICATIONS

(Applying to those whose anniversaries occur this week.)

TO-DAY
YOU folks must resign yourselves to stormy weather for some time to come, and I warn you right away that you cannot afford to treat this year lightly. But in spite of the snags I do not

doubt that this year will strengthen your position.

TOMORROW
You, too, need to take the next twelve months on quiet lines. I have no doubt that you will be feeling restless and anxious for changes, but precipitate action of any kind would be highly dangerous. So far as £ s. d. is concerned, however, there appears to be nothing to fear.

TUESDAY
A year packed full of exciting developments, with changes well to the fore. I certainly advise you to seize the opportunity this year of launching out on any new ventures you have been contemplating. There are remarkably few obstacles to the success of your plans, but you must remember that personal initiative will be the determining factor in ensuring success. One glowing feature is the marked improvement in home life. There is a much more settled tone about your private affairs, and I think you can count on some encouraging turns in your relationships with other people.

WEDNESDAY
You could scarcely wish for a better year than this. In occupational or business matters you are

able to make remarkably good progress. Financially, the prospects are excellent.

THURSDAY
This is rather a quiet twelve-month in which most of your interests tend to develop on strictly normal lines. The only difficulties appear to be in connection with £ s. d. Expenditure for the year is likely to be heavy, I am afraid, and any carelessness on your part would almost certainly lead to losses.

FRIDAY
Although this year tends to lead to increased stability in your major interests, I am afraid you are going to find the going distinctly slow at times. You must be prepared for setbacks, notably in connection with occupation. The financial position appears to be quite sound.

SATURDAY
This looks like being a rather uneven kind of year. There are plenty of advantages if you can be sufficiently enterprising to seize them. There are distinct possibilities, for instance, of gains from rather unusual sources. I would recommend plenty of care in correspondence where there is a liability to indiscretions which may easily prove dangerous.

HOW WE ALL STAND THIS WEEK

(Look for your birth date below to find your section.)

MARCH 21 to APRIL 20
ALTHOUGH this is a more than normally cheerful type of week, I would advise you to rule out the first half of it for tackling anything of importance. Monday, for example, may tend to prove a rather trying day.

APRIL 21 to MAY 20
The week begins on a rather awkward note for you people, too, but once Monday is over you can count on highly progressive tendencies in nearly all your interests. The only advice I would offer is to take things rather quietly round about Wednesday. Things likely to lead to difficulties are changes of any kind and your relationships with others generally.

MAY 21 to JUNE 20
You can count on exceptionally favourable influences during the first two or three days of this week. After then you come up against difficulties, and you will have to watch your step until towards Friday. News—in all probability with a financial angle—arrives on Friday, and from that point on you are able to get your own way.

JUNE 21 to JULY 20
There appear to be a number of hitches in current arrangements during the first half of this week, and you must be prepared for a disappointment of some kind. This may be connected in some way with one of your friendships. Take things somewhat philosophically for a day or two, and exercise a little extra caution in handling anything of an £ s. d. nature.

JULY 21 to AUGUST 21
The present week-end tends to be rather sluggish, and you may find most of your interests hanging fire for a day or two. In addition, friends adopt an awkward attitude, and there may be some friction.

During the second half of the week you can count on much more active assistance with your plans. Especially those to do with business matters and £ s. d.

AUGUST 22 to SEPTEMBER 22
There is every indication of an easing of tension for most of you during the next day or two. Things begin to settle down in your private life, and there is a much more optimistic atmosphere about such business deals as you now have in hand. So far as £ s. d. is concerned, however, the week should occasion no anxiety.

SEPTEMBER 23 to OCTOBER 22
You, too, seem to be up against other people at the beginning of this week. Things tend to come to a head on Wednesday, and you will have to exercise all the tact you can muster if you are to steer clear of an open quarrel.

As the week lengthens, the strain eases off considerably, and by Friday you should be able to get things pretty much your own way.

OCTOBER 23 to NOVEMBER 22
An exceptionally easy week for most of you, the only snag appearing to be a crisis of some kind in your private life. By mid-week even this should have shaken itself down to your satisfaction, and you are then able to make some extremely helpful moves in connection with your principal interests.

Wednesday is a very helpful day from the point of view of £ s. d.

NOVEMBER 23 to DECEMBER 20
My advice to most people in this group is to take things quietly for a few days. It is essential to keep out of arguments and to steer clear of any drastic alterations in your plans. Until Wednesday you will definitely do well to play for safety with everything. That day offers you exceptional opportunities.

DECEMBER 21 to JANUARY 19
The middle of this week is going to prove quite a sticky patch for most of you, and I strongly urge you to tackle all matters of importance as soon after the week-end as possible. Things not tackled during the first couple of days should be left over until towards the coming week-end. Chief difficulty appears to be in connection with £ s. d.

JANUARY 20 to FEBRUARY 18
Monday and Tuesday, I am afraid, are rather difficult days from the point of view of your job, but there is no need for agitation as I do not consider that the hitches will be anything but temporary. By Saturday there should be far more settlement in every direction.

FEBRUARY 19 to MARCH 20
The beginning of the week looks like being dull and uninteresting, with a need for special caution on Monday. Wednesday marks the turn of the tide, and you can then expect some pleasing developments in practically all your interests. In general the week favours the private side of your life more than questions of more strictly material interests.



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Long Acre Tells You About— INJURED BACK KICKS THIS CLUB

SEEMS as if I'll have to start a "casualty" list this week. Yesterday's battles for important points produced an unusually large crop of injuries, and in some cases players were hurt before the games started.

Raynor, the Aldershot outside-right, travelled by car to the game at Middlesbrough, but the vehicle overturned at Iwer, Bucks. Raynor and his wife returned to Aldershot, but their two children had to be taken to hospital.

Another before-the-match casualty was Lewis, Blackpool's left-half, from Bradford. He was taken ill just before the game, and Blackpool had to re-organise their attack.

DOG fight at Birmingham produced an unexpected Wolves defeat and sundry hard knocks for the Wanderers. McIntosh, Burton and Gardner all had to receive attention, and Cullis finished up on the left wing.

Sproston, Manchester City defender, turned out against his old team at Tottenham, but was hurt and had to go on the left wing. Despite this, City won. More amazing still, Sproston scored a couple of goals.

At Oakes, Charlton centre-half, damaged his left wrist and played on with a bandaged arm. Fenton was hurt in a goal storm at Middlesbrough, and Wildman, Swindon goalkeeper, collapsed and was carried off at Ipswich.

I SUPPOSE one of the biggest mysteries of 1939 is the dramatic fade-out of Derby. Surely no pantomime has ever produced such a complete transformation scene.

At the end of the old year the "Rams" were sitting five clear points at the head of the table, and with hands and feet of their future list behind them it looked as if only a disaster could prevent Derby from winning the championship.

The disaster happened. Derby found things going all wrong. They began losing matches. That didn't matter at first, for their clear lead kept them at the top. But other teams were winning games, and eventually Derby were knocked off their perch early in February by Everton.

DERBY'S slide began on the day when all the big teams came into the Cup competition. All against form Everton won by 2-1. Derby were left with a couple of weeks previously Derby had taken three points from Everton!

Since that Cup-tide Derby's results have been: Sunderland 1, Derby 0; Stoke 3, Derby 0; Chelsea 1, Derby 1; Blackpool 2, Derby 2; Derby 1, Brentford 2; Derby 0, Birmingham 1; Manchester 1, Derby 1; Derby 0, Chelsea 1; and, yesterday, Preston 4, Derby 0.

Four points in nine games! Home defeats by teams at the wrong end of the table! Such a collapse seemed impossible.

IN view of all that, lots of unkind people are likening manager George Jobey to the grand old Duke of York, who once marched his men down the hill and marched them down again.

But Mr. Jobey must expect the bricks. It is argued everywhere that he should not have got rid of Astley, though at the

time it was agreed that the transfer was a good stroke of business.

The putting off of Barker was also a bad move. The popular centre-half and captain always played an attacking kind of game, but when he was superseded by Bailey the rest of the team had to suddenly adapt themselves to the stopper style.

THAT, of course, is no reflection on Bailey, but the fact remains that Barker was reintroduced into the side yesterday.

Nor Derby have to regain their lost confidence. The lads certainly have the talent; it's just that they've lost their touch.

Now that Derby can get back to the top again this season. Only a miracle can help them now. Unfortunately, the fans realise that and their support now is only lukewarm for the team that made all the running last year.

THAT Wolves defeat yesterday was a great triumph for Birmingham. That's why it was the second League defeat in 20 games.

But I think Everton put up a better performance than Birmingham. The "Toffs" were losing 2-0 at Middlesbrough, but then finished up 4-1. Three of these eight goals came within a space of eight minutes.

And that reminds me that there was also some quickening of scoring elsewhere. Three goals in 11 minutes at Preston; three in six minutes at Cardiff, and three in five at Queen's Park Rangers.

CHELSEA gained ample revenge for their Cup reverse against Grimsby, but the "Pensioners" position at the bottom of the table is not improved, for Birmingham and Huddersfield also won. Incidentally, the Huddersfield win at Leicester was Town's first away victory of the season.

Probably the freakish result of the day was the 5-0 defeat of United 1, Swansea 2. Only Swansea's second away win of the season—and don't forget that Sheffield United have ideas about going up!

The other Sheffield team, Wednesday, also lost after leading at Newcastle, and Coventry dropped home points to the leaders, Blackburn. Result of all this queer business is that Blackburn once more get a clear lead while Newcastle move up.

NEWPORT pulled off a great feat by drawing at Brighton, and what with that and Reading's home fare, everything looks very rosy for the Middlesbrough side. It was the quiet Torquay side that won at Reading. A dog was ordered off during the game.

For Vale scored four by winning at Cardiff. The Vale scored four, and that was something very much out of the ordinary for Port Vale had only scored eight in their 13 previous away games!

The Northern Section is more than ever a one-horse race. Pity that two teams can't go up in the top two by playing each other as good as Barnsley now.

At Accrington the state of the ground was so bad that the captains walked over to the touch line to toss up.

FIRST LEAGUE											
BIRMINGHAM (1)	3	WOLVES (1)	2	BURNLEY (0)	0	BRADFORD (0)	0	
50,000—Harris, Morris, Jones					Dorsett, Galley.						
BOLTON (1)	1	BRENTFORD (1)	1	COVENTRY (0)	0	BLACKBURN (1)	1
10,000—Hunt.					Boulter						
CHARLTON (2)	3	BLACKPOOL (0)	1	LUTON (2)	3	TRANMERE (0)	0
19,000—Tadman (3).					Dodds.						
CHELSEA (2)	5	GRIMSBY (1)	1	NEWCASTLE (0)	2	SHEFFIELD W. (1)	1
17,000—Spence 2, Payne, Burgess, Hanson.					Boyd.						
LEEDS (1)	4	ARSENAL (1)	1	NORWICH (0)	2	WEST HAM (3)	5
22,000—Hodgson, Stephens, Hargreaves.					Drake, Compton.						
LEICESTER (0)	0	H'DDERSFIELD (1)	1	NOTT'M F. (1)	1	FULHAM (0)	1
15,000—					Isaac.						
LIVERPOOL (2)	4	PORTSMOUTH (1)	1	PLYMOUTH (0)	0	CHESTERFIELD (0)	0
18,000—Fagan, Taylor, Nieuwenhuys.					Parker, Anderson, Barlow, McAllinden.						
M'NCHSTER U. (0)	1	ASTON VILLA (0)	1	SHEFFIELD U. (0)	1	SWANSEA (0)	1
25,000—Wassall.					Broom.						
MIDDLESBROUGH (4)	4	EVERTON (2)	4	SOUTHAMPTON (0)	1	MILLWALL (1)	1
10,000—Chadwick, Yorston, Mills, Penton.					Stevenson, Lawton 3.						
PRESTON (0)	4	DERBY (1)	1	TOTTENHAM (1)	2	M'NCHSTER C. (0)	3
10,000—Beattie (A.), Douglas, White, Mutch.					McCluch.						
STOKE (2)	3	SUNDERLAND (1)	1	W. BROMWICH (3)	6	BURY (0)	0
12,000—Sale, Steele (2).					Duns.						

HOW THEY STAND										
HOME	AWAY	GOALS	PTS	W	D	L	F	A	GOALS	PTS
Birmingham (14)	32	14	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Wolves (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Derby (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Blackpool (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Mid'boro (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
A. Villa (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Leeds (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Bolton (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Blackburn (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Grimsby (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Preston (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Sheff. U. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Sheff. W. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Swansea (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Southampton (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Millwall (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Tottenham (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
M'Nchster C. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
W. Bromwich (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Bury (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1

STRANGE GOALS FOR CHELSEA

CHELSEA'S good football had a reward that went beyond its merits. The number of goals they obtained would have been fewer for four instances of misjudgment by the referee.

There was more good football attached to Grimsby's goal than there was to Chelsea's five, four of which might have been prevented.

Great determination to win two points, more valuable than the Cup victory which had gone to Grimsby, characterised the play of the winners, for whom Jack Spence, five, four of which might have been prevented.

Goalkeeping came in curious fashion. After ten minutes' play Spence raced in, and from a difficult angle crashed the ball to the roof of the net. Grimsby scored as pretty a goal as you could wish to see.

Four minutes later, over the bar, the ball from the Grimsby half of the field by a series of masterly passes, which left Bolton in front of goal with the ball at his feet.

His shot was so well placed that no goalkeeper could have stopped the ball. Tweedy made his first error two minutes from the interval when he left the goal open. The ball went in. Bolton had to kick the ball past the Grimsby right-back to score.

Within a few minutes after half-time Chelsea had scored two more goals, both of them curious. Burgess made a kick from the crossbar, and he sent it against the post and then into the net.

When Tweedy misjudged a corner kick by Spence, instead of clearing he seemed to pull the ball into the net.

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SECOND LEAGUE										
BURNLEY (0)	0	BRADFORD (0) ..								
8,000—										
COVENTRY (0)	0	BLACKBURN (1) ..								
24,717—		Butt.								
LUTON (2)	3	TRANMERE (0) ..								
12,788—Stephenson, Roberts, Billington.										
NEWCASTLE (0)	2	SHEFFIELD W. (1) ..								
26,000—Scott, Frost.		Millership.								
NORWICH (0)	2	WEST HAM (3) ..								
15,000—Priar, Acqueoff.		Small 3, Foxall 2, Morton.								
NOTT'M F. (1)	1	FULHAM (0)								
9,306—Fryer.		Higgins.								
PLYMOUTH (0)	0	CHESTERFIELD (0) ..								
14,000—										
SHEFFIELD U. (0)	1	SWANSEA (0)								
22,000—Henson.		Barford Meeks.								
SOUTHAMPTON (0)	1	MILLWALL (1) ..								
12,000—Bevis.		McLeod.								
TOTTENHAM (1)	2	M'NCHESTER C. (0) ..								
28,204—Hall (G. W.), Hitchens.		Sproston 2, Freeman								
W. BROMWICH (3)	6	BURY (0)								
15,000—Clarke, Hastings, Johnson 4.										

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Sheff. U. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
W.B.A. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Sheff. W. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Cardiff (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Exeter (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Swindon (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Reading (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Torquay (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Walsall (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Notts C. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Southampton (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Millwall (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Tottenham (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
M'Nchster C. (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
W. Bromwich (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1
Bury (1)	32	10	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1

SPRUSTON'S "PALS" FOR SPURS

TOTTENHAM 2 MANCHESTER CITY 3

BERT SPROSTON, FORMERLY RIGHT BACK ON THE TOTTENHAM LINE-UP, OPERATING AT OUTSIDE-LEFT FOR MANCHESTER CITY, HANDED OUT A NASTY JOLT TO HIS OLD PALS, A JOLT WHICH MIGHT EASILY RESULT IN THEIR BEING COUNTED OUT IN THE PROMOTION FIGHT.

He was ably assisted by Eric "Little-Little" Brook, usually the Northern side's outside-left, but yesterday their right half-back and later, their right full back.

Sproston pulled a thigh muscle early in the first half, went off, and returned to become what everybody thought would be a passenger. Brook went right-half, went further behind to right-back, and the two of them played "blinders."

The Spurs ought to have taken full advantage of their heaven-sent opportunity. They were only 2-0 down in the dressing room, but didn't. As the game progressed it became apparent to all they were thrown out of the match away.

Against ten men the home side could not ram home that all-important goal. It was only the last kick of the first half, by which time Sproston had come back that the "Pals" hanged on to get a crowd of players to put his side a goal to the good.

They had some wretched luck, however, because the upright was hit, the cross-bar was hit, and Brook kicked one shot into the two by the keeper Swift. Sproston was wondering just where the ball had gone.

They seemed content to kick anywhere and they were kept on the defensive for a long time. But, without warning, the defence was caught with the home team, picking up a loose ball in the 56th minute, fired in a shot which put them on an even footing.

That goal bucked up his colleagues; the home rear division failed to knit, and five minutes later, after a long and arduous punt on the bounce, steadied himself, and beat Hooper to put Manchester in front.

They stormed the Manchester defence, harried them out of their complacency, and within a few minutes a well-placed corner.

Three minutes from the end Sproston, still a little shaky, but with a cool head, gathered a long pass from the opposite side of the field and had the satisfaction of setting up a winning goal. He has the feeling that Hooper might have prevented the ball from going into the net.

It was a high light of the game at Loftus Road, where the Park Rangers won more easily than the score of 5-0.

He gave a perfect exhibition of half-back play in defence and in attack. Hooper's defence was a masterpiece. He should have been more readily accepted. Lowe also had a busy day taking free kicks, and a number of which the Rangers goals were scored.

It was a